

## 2 p.m. threat to hostages as gov'ts maintain firm stand

Terrorists still holding over 200 hostages from the Air France jet hijacked on Sunday on a flight from Tel Aviv to Paris yesterday threatened to kill all the hostages and blow up the plane if their ransom demands were not met by two o'clock this afternoon Israel time.

The terrorists, who say they represent the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine, have demanded the immediate release of 53 pro-Palestinian prisoners, 40 of them terrorists in Israel jails. They delivered their new ultimatum after

freeing 47 of the passengers — old women, sick persons and children — who arrived in Paris late last night. Another relief plane was also on its way to pick up another 50 hostages who French reports said were to be freed.

In Jerusalem, the Cabinet met in its capacity as Ministerial Security Committee and heard a briefing on developments in Uganda. Israel was also in contact with other countries whose nationals are being held, and with those countries who have been asked to release terrorists held in their jails.

## As Lebanese fighting flares PLO loses foothold; Arab League convenes

By ANAN SAFADI  
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Egypt and Iraq last night demanded that Syria promptly withdraw its 12,000 troops from Lebanon, where the combined forces of the Palestine Liberation Organization and the leftists were reported to be losing their foothold.

The Egyptian and Iraqi demand was voiced shortly before Arab Foreign Ministers convened at the headquarters of the League of Arab Nations in Cairo to discuss the explosive situation in Lebanon. The Foreign Ministers were to try to salvage the Arab League's week-old frustrated initiative to end Lebanon's 15-month civil war.

to fight on, adding: "We had to take up arms to defend our nation's sovereignty. This is our sacred, undisputed national duty." French said that Jir el-Basha and Tel el-Zaatar were never refugee camps, but "training centres for international terrorists and plane hijackers."

French's statement, which was broadcast over the Beirut radio supporting him, came after the Christians staged their triumphant takeover of the PLO's camp at Jir el-Basha and rolled on to renew their siege of the Tel el-Zaatar camp.

Beirut reports said that the French camp has mobilized some 10,000 fighters for the current assault, which has been building up for the past nine days. These fighters were said to have been organized during the confrontation between the PLO-leftist alliance with the Syrians last month.

The fall of Jir el-Basha and the possible loss of Tel el-Zaatar constitute the heaviest blow to the PLO and their leftist allies of Lebanon's civil war.

The leader of the Lebanese leftists, Kamal Jumblatt, yesterday warned that the fall of the two camps would signal the "point of no return" for a protracted all-out "war of the people" and the "Vietnamization" of Lebanon. The PLO's chief, Yasser Arafat, made a similar statement, but there seemed to be a lot of hot air in these warnings as they already are fighting to their full capacity. Indeed, the fate of the PLO and their leftist allies remained at the mercy of the Syrians who, contrary to the PLO claims, have so far refrained from showing their full strength in Lebanon. The Syrians continued mainly to be maneuvering towards the promotion of a pro-Damascus sovereign Lebanese regime and towards controlling the PLO-leftists, who are affiliated to Arab capitals opposing the Baathist government of President Hafez Assad in Syria.

## Squatting bids by Gush Emunim

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Gush Emunim would be settling in Gush Emunim throughout Judea and Samaria in the coming two months, the settlement groups decided here last night. Hanoch Klein, of the Western Samaria group, said some 30 families will move to Jebel Mukatem, east of Latrun, in a fortnight. They will stay there for two days and then stage a two or three-day demonstration in front of the Prime Minister's office in Jerusalem. If these measures fail to induce the Government to allow them to settle between Meshah (east of Kfar Kassem) and Jebel Mukatem they will attempt to maintain a "presence" at the latter site, in the form of a field school or something similar.

The government, through the World Zionist Organization, recently offered Meshah to the Gush Emunim group which is currently in Camp Kadum. But a Gush Emunim source told *The Jerusalem Post* last night that, at the ministerial committee on settlement, Israel Galili recently opposed offering Meshah to the Western Samaria group.

## Cairo expels Libyan envoy

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

CAIRO. — Libyan Ambassador Mohamed el-Sedik Ramadan was expelled from Egypt yesterday after being held overnight for distributing anti-state pamphlets. Informants said the ambassador was summoned to the foreign ministry shortly after his release and told to leave the country immediately.

Egyptian officials said Ramadan was arrested on Tuesday night while handing out huge quantities of books and pamphlets inciting revolution against the government of President Anwar Sadat.

Observers said Libya was likely to retaliate in kind. They speculated that Libya's leader, Colonel Muammar Gaddafi, might even break off relations with Egypt.

The expulsion ended a chapter of bad relations between Ramadan and Egyptian officials. The Egyptian Foreign Ministry accused him in April of firing a sub-machinegun from his embassy compound to break up an occupation of the building by Libyan students.

## Paris remains firm as 47 hostages free

By JACK MAURICE  
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

PARIS. — A special Air France plane carrying the 47 hostages released by hijackers in Entebbe landed at Orly Airport last night. Foreign Minister Jean Sauvageau was at the airport to welcome the hostages, mostly women, children and old persons. Scores of relatives also were on hand.

The first woman off the plane was Mrs. Annie Bracker, 25, of Paris, holding her 2-year-old daughter Shirley in her arms.

Mrs. Bracker's cousin, Jacqueline Bittou, shouted: "oh, it's wonderful, it's wonderful. I've had no sleep for three days."

A French Foreign Ministry spokesman paid tribute to the role played by Uganda's President, Yoweri Museveni, in securing the release of 47 of the 256 people aboard the Airbus which was hijacked over Greece on Sunday after leaving Athens on a flight from Tel Aviv to Paris.

But French officials stressed that France will not yield to the terrorists' demands for the release of Palestinian prisoners held in France and other Western European countries.

West Germany has set up a crisis (Continued on page 2, col. 5)

## Israel's low profile

Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent

Israel continued yesterday to keep as low a profile as possible in the hijack affair and to reiterate at every opportunity the primary responsibility of France for the welfare and safety of all the hostages in Entebbe.

The Government's aim, according to one informed source, was "to avoid Israelization" of the affair. This was made possible during yesterday by the firm front maintained so far by France and the other governments involved.

Foreign Minister Ailon, in a noon-time statement to the Knesset (see page three) pointed to this firm front as a "source of encouragement." Officials said there had been no pressure from any state involved (except Uganda) to bow to the hijackers' demands.

But as the hijackers' deadline (today at two p.m.) drew nearer, tense mood, and diplomatic contacts with the other governments intensified.

The Cabinet met for an hour at noon to hear a report from Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin. Officials stressed that the meeting was in-

## The freed passengers

PARIS. — Air France yesterday issued the names of the 47 Airbus passengers released by hijackers at Entebbe, Uganda, yesterday morning. All the passengers except one were due to arrive in Paris aboard a special flight shortly before midnight last night.

News agencies gave differing names and nationalities for the one man who remained in Uganda, but they agreed that he had been admitted to hospital. JTA reported him as being "an Israeli, Blind Zucker-korn", aged 80, who was admitted to a hospital in Entebbe. AP said he was a Frenchman, aged about 80, called Simon Taieb, who was said by officials to be in a Kampala hospital suffering from leg ulcers.

A Ugandan government announcement said the 47 included 33 French, three Moroccans, two Greeks, two Americans, two Dutch, one Canadian, one Cypriot, one Paraguayan, one Venezuelan and one stateless person.

The names are: Christine Allan Koppel, Jean Michel Koppel, Olivier Collet, Yvonne Georgios, Sandrine Anna Kneier, Kneier, Jean Kneier, Tanya Hadjeli, Ibrahim Hadjeli, Salomon Rubin, Regine Rubin, Michel Marius Henry, Laila Kermoud, Rabea Bennani, Mohammed Kermoud.

Esther Ekelenele de Canton, Vera Zultierska Evangelina, Sebuh Nouna, Cosuul Hamba Zodiati, Sophie Zodiati, Josephine Anslem, Mrs. Tzipora Tzipora, Solange Tzipora Tzipora, Sabine Tzipora Tzipora, Regine Tzipora Tzipora, Joel Tarika, Benjamin Schuchter, Carole Taylor, Eric Taylor, Simon Taieb, Nancy Gleske, Duya Bjora, Perla Bliton, Julie Aouicraie, Saigneur Henriette Dumourette, Rolande Dumourette, Vardaki Chrysoula, Leonie, Nicer Neuhof, Erika Feldman, Nudman, Sandler Feldman Nudelman, Jeanne Marissal, Helene Partouche, Aziza Partouche, Sherley Ouzana, Annie Ouzana, Heriche Allan, Albert Ailon.

(Reuter, JTA, AP)

## France turns to Cairo

POST Middle East Affairs Correspondent

France last night asked both Egypt and Cairo-based Arab League to help obtain the release of the passengers of the hijacked Air France airliner in Entebbe. The French appeal was communicated to Egyptian Foreign Minister Ismail Fahmy and the Arab League's headquarters. Both were reported to have pledged their assistance.

France's appeal to Egypt and the Arab League for intervention was seen by observers to indicate that, despite "official" PLO denials, Paris was convinced that the hijacking was being sponsored by a faction of the Palestine Liberation Organization. It was not clear, however, which PLO faction was responsible for the actual operation. Some reports

## 'ISRAELI COLONEL' TALKS TO AMIN

NAIROBI. — Ugandan president Idi Amin talked yesterday by telephone with an Israeli Army officer and told him to inform the Israeli government that it must release "freedom fighters" as demanded by pro-Palestinian hijackers, Uganda Radio reported.

The hijackers today threatened to blow up their captive Air France plane and more than 200 hostages if their demands for the release of 53 prisoners in Europe, Israel and Kenya are not met by 2 o'clock this afternoon, Israel time.

Radio Uganda named the Israeli officer only as "Colonel Bar Lev" and said he was the head of the Israeli military mission in Uganda at the time of the 1971 coup that brought Amin to power.

The radio said Colonel Bar Lev had telephoned from Israel and President Amin had agreed to speak to him "because he is his best friend" back.

## Burials will now be really free

By AARON SITTNER  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

A major step towards guaranteed free burial was announced yesterday by the Ministry for Religious Affairs and the National Insurance Institute.

Meeting with reporters in Jerusalem, heads of the two agencies said agreement had been reached with the country's three largest hevet kadisha (burial societies) under which bereaved families would no longer be billed for permits to erect tombstones.

The permits — sometimes costing thousands of pounds — are an indirect method of collecting burial costs. Though guaranteed free burial has been an aim of the National Insurance Institute for years, the burial societies have consistently maintained that the allocations they receive from the institute are inadequate to cover their costs. As

a result, while barred from charging bereaved families for actual burial costs, they have succeeded in getting compensation through the permit charge.

These charges are based on the survivors' ability to pay, and other considerations such as the price the family pays for a tombstone.

Amiram Sivan, director of the National Insurance Institute, said these charges will no longer be levied after October 1 by the three largest societies, who at present carry out 40 per cent of all Jewish burials in this country.

"We shall allocate IL30m. a year to these three societies, so that they will not have to go after a deceased person's family," he said. There have been quite a few complaints about their efforts, and this is more serious since these complainants are families in sorrow."

David Glass, director-general of the Religious Affairs Ministry, noted that guaranteed free burial — even if all 425 societies join the scheme — will only cover some 80 per cent of the population. He explained that approximately 20 per cent of Jewish heads of families buy gravesites during their lifetime. Prices for these plots — set in accordance with guidelines approved by the Ministry — will not change under the new agreement.

As for space, Glass said Tel Aviv was at a "crisis point" for lack of burial land. Jerusalem has a three-year supply of space right now, and more cemeteries will be laid out in the Ora and Ambadav regions.

Glass admitted that "Jerusalem has no funeral parlour worthy of the name. However, the Municipality has already approved the site for a new chapel." It will be located in Romema, up the road from the offices of *The Jerusalem Post*.

## VAT STARTS TODAY

By GIDION ESHEK  
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The Value Added Tax — VAT — was imposed on all goods and services sold in Israel as of midnight last night. The first revenues out of the expected total of L2,500m. to the Government will come this morning when the tax is imposed on imported goods.

To smooth VAT's introduction into the country, the Treasury yesterday issued about 100 emergency back-to-work orders to customs employees, who have been refusing to deal with VAT matters, because of differences over grading for their new tasks.

Yitzhak Mann, the chairman of the works committee, told *The Jerusalem Post* that the employees will honour the orders — but he pointed out that the jobs will be done with less vigour because of them. "One cannot expect a worker to be as productive when he works under force," he said.

The prices of bread, cooking oil, margarine, eggs, sugar, milk and some milk products will not change. Commerce and Industry Ministry officials said yesterday. The list of maximum retail prices published by the Ministry yesterday gave the impression that the prices had increased. This resulted from a com-

parison of prices without VAT to prices with VAT. Under VAT, the prices should normally increase, but to avoid this, the Government increased the subsidy to meet the higher costs of VAT.

The back-to-work orders issued yesterday set a precedent. In the past, these orders were used to force workers to return to regular work. However, in this case, the workers were doing regular work — as customs officials — but were ordered to do additional work on VAT.

The employees have been negotiating with the Treasury since February, mainly over their job classification. They demand that those who will work on VAT receive higher job classification which will enable them to receive higher grades in the future.

About 100,000 dealers have already registered with VAT. In this group are about 40,000 authorized dealers (who can issue VAT tax invoices) out of 60,000 believed to be in business. Another 50,000 petty dealers have also not registered, while about 20,000 more are exempt from VAT because their annual turnover is less than IL20,000. Since thousands of registration documents

## Rabinowitz: VAT was inevitable

Finance Minister Yehoshua Rabinowitz yesterday told the public that there had been no choice but to impose the Value Added Tax, which takes effect today. Speaking over radio and television, he added that the tax had many advantages.

Listing the latter, Mr. Rabinowitz said it would make it possible to levy considerable sums for defence and social needs at a moderate rate per item taxed. It would thus

gradually replace Israel's current distorted system of indirect taxation, which placed heavy burdens on some items and left others, such as services, almost untouched. A first step towards ending the present system would be made through cancelling the stamp tax, he added.

He admitted that all states had found the early days of VAT a bit difficult, and called for cooperation to make the transition easier.



HOW'D YOU DO? Pupils outside a Tel Aviv school compare report cards yesterday on the last day of the school year. (See story page 3).

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## VAT and the economy...

David Krivine interviews Finance Minister Yehoshua Rabinowitz.

Ari Rath writes on the signs of change in U.S. policy.

Arthur Saul Super describes South Africa's Soweto.

Ronnie Hope speaks to new immigrant artillery gunners.

Rochelle Furstenberg reports on summer activities for children.

Civil marriage: articles by Judie Oron and Doris Lankin.

Simson Carlebach sees "Kuni Leml" in Tel Aviv.

The weekend Dry Bones

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## THE WEATHER

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Jerusalem	40	15-25
Golan	40	15-25
Nahariya	40	15-25
Safed	40	15-25
Haifa Port	40	15-25
Tiberias	40	15-25
Nazareth	40	15-25
Atula	40	15-25
Batnan	40	15-25
Shomron	40	15-25
Tel Aviv	40	15-25
B.G. Airport	40	15-25
Jericho	40	15-25
Gaza	40	15-25
Beersheba	40	15-25
Edom	40	15-25
Elil	40	15-25
Tiran Straits	40	15-25

## Social and Personal

Knesset Speaker Yisrael Yeshayahu yesterday attended a performance of his own historical play, "The Jewish King of Yemen," staged by the Rambam Religious School in Rosh Ha'ayin.

Shlomo Gromman, a member of the Holoan City executive, was installed Governor of Israel Rotary at a district assembly in Holoan yesterday, in the presence of Knesset Speaker Yisrael Yeshayahu, Holoan Mayor Pinhas Eylon and outgoing Rotary governor Lucien Harris of Jerusalem.

Defence Minister Shimon Peres met last night with the members of the Chicago Israel Bond Delegation, at the Tel Aviv Hilton Hotel. The 77-man delegation arrived this morning for a two-week study tour.

A lecture on chapter five of Ethics of the Fathers will be given on Saturday at 6.15 p.m. at the Beit Yisrael synagogue, Rehov Fele Yotz, in Yemin Moshe, by Rabbi Dr. Louis Rabinowitz.

The regular Thursday meeting of the Tel Aviv-Jaffa Rotary Club will not be held this week at ZOIA House. Instead, members will meet in the home of the Australian Ambassador, to mark the conclusion of Rotary Year 1975-76.

## ARRIVALS

Victor Carter, honorary chairman of the Board of Governors of Tel Aviv University, with Mrs. Carter, on business and for meetings of the Jewish Agency Board of Governors.

## Ze'ev Polishuk, obstetrician, dies at 60

Prof. Ze'ev (Wolf) Polishuk, one of Israel's leading obstetricians and gynaecologists, died in Jerusalem yesterday. He was 60.

Polishuk was head of the Hadasah-Hebrew University Medical Center's Obstetrics and Gynaecology Department since 1965. The U.S.-born doctor was educated in Italy, and came to work at Hadasah in Jerusalem in 1941. During 1948, he served as doctor at the refugee camps of illegal immigrants exiled to Cyprus.

Known throughout the world for his extensive work in treating barrenness and his research on fertility problems, Polishuk had published more than 100 articles in medical and scientific journals in Israel and abroad. He is survived by his mother, his wife, a son and a daughter.

The funeral will leave from the Hadasah Medical Centre in Bin Karen at 4 p.m. today for Har Hamenuhot. During the morning hours the body will lie in state at the plaza in front of the medical school.

## The American Jewish Congress Records with Profound Sadness the Passing on June 30, 1976 of

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Arthur Hertzberg, President

Naomi Levine, Executive Director

A memorial service will be held at 6 p.m. today, Thursday, July 1, 1976 in the King David Hotel.

With deep sorrow we announce the death of our beloved

## SAM SAMUELS

of Cardiff, Wales

deeply mourned by his wife, Fanny daughters: Bella Ellenbogen and Stella Sachs sons-in-law, grandchildren, sisters, brothers and family Shiva in Cardiff

The Family

## No Temple Mount prayers by Jews till regulations issued, court rules

By ABRAHAM RABINOVICH Jerusalem Post Reporter

The controversial decision by a Jerusalem Magistrate permitting Jewish prayer on the Temple Mount was overruled yesterday in the Jerusalem District Court. A three-judge panel, headed by Judge Miriam Ben-Porat, ruled that eight Betar youths who attempted to pray demonstratively on the Mount Temple last year were guilty of behaviour likely to cause a breach of the peace. The eight had been acquitted last January by Magistrate Ruth Or, who declared that Jews had the right to pray on the Temple Mount. Judge Or's decision was originally held to be the cause of the widespread riots which followed on the West Bank. The District Court bench — which also included an Arab and an Orthodox Jew — ruled that Jews had an unquestioned historical and legal right to pray on the Temple Mount, but this right could not be exercised until the authorities had adopted regulations fixing the time and place for such prayers, and measures for the maintenance of public order.

Noting that the Moslems for the past 1,300 years have also regarded the Temple Mount as holy, the court said "in view of the sensitive and dangerous situation prevailing against the intercommunal background, the exercise of the Jewish right of prayer on the Temple

Mount is charged with grave dangers to public order as long as no regulations are adopted."

Instead of urging the adoption of such regulations, the court noted with apparent understanding the reluctance by the Religious Affairs Minister until now to do so. The Minister cannot be suspected of indifference to the question of Jewish prayer on the Temple Mount, the court said. Presumably, he has not formulated regulations "for good reasons" — whether because of religious hesitations about permitting Jews to enter the area where the Holy of Holies might have stood, or for political reasons, or both. As long as he declined to draw up regulations, said the court, prayer by Jews on the Temple Mount is banned because preservation of public order was a consideration overriding the right of Jews to pray there.

"We are not discussing here Jews who go to the Temple Mount to talk to their Creator in good faith, but of prayer by a group of Jews together," said the court.

It repeatedly emphasized the sensitivity of the issue. "Even if we look at this matter only from the viewpoint of a united Jerusalem, we must conclude that this is a matter which requires extreme delicacy. Real unification must be based on mutual trust, which is not easily acquired."

Despite the lengths to which it went in spelling out its reasoning

(in a 19-page decision) the court declared its uncertainty whether it had the authority to deal with the case at all. It referred to the Order in Council issued by the British Mandatory authorities in 1924, depriving the courts of the country from dealing with any "cause or matter" in connection with holy places. This responsibility was vested in the governing authorities. Previous decisions in Israeli courts have held the Order in Council to still be the law of the land.

The court asked the Religious Affairs Minister, acting in this matter as successor to the Mandatory High Commissioner, to decide whether the case is within its jurisdiction. If Minister Yitzhak Rabin (at present abroad) decides that it is, then the court declared the eight youths guilty of the charges and asked that the matter be returned to Magistrate Or for sentencing. If the minister decides that the matter is not judicial, the court declared, then all court proceedings in the matter — including Magistrate Or's ruling — would be void. In this case, the court said, the Knesset and the Government might take up the matter of Jewish prayer on the Mount.

On the bench with Judge Ben-Porat were Judge Yusef Haj Yihya and Judge Yehuda Weiss. Jerusalem District Attorney Michael Kirsh argued the case for the State. Attorneys Dan Meridor and Dov Sklansky represented the defendants.

## Brzezinski sees no drastic change in U.S. policy after elections

By ZE'EV SCHUL AND JUDY SIEGEL Jerusalem Post Reporters

There will be no drastic change in American foreign policy after this fall's elections, even though there will probably be a new U.S. president, Prof. Zbigniew Brzezinski, Jimmy Carter's chief foreign policy adviser, said yesterday.

The 48-year-old Columbia University professor reluctantly made this prediction to reporters upon his arrival at Ben-Gurion Airport for a three-day study tour in Israel. "I came here to learn, not to make pronouncements," he said laconically. Prof. Brzezinski said he doubted that the U.S. was moving towards recognition of the PLO, but he said that the U.S. was trying to create a framework more conducive to a settlement. Commenting on the hijacking of the Air France jet on Sunday, he noted that such events are "a sign of the general deterioration of international morality... an outrageous act." He would not, however, comment on what should be done about the hijacking.

After a stopover at Yad Vashem's Holocaust Memorial, where the Polish-born (he left Poland in 1938 for Canada and later settled in the U.S.) professor was apparently deeply moved by the exhibits, he visited Foreign Minister Yigal Allon



Zbigniew Brzezinski

for discussions in private.

In a closed session later with Mayor Teddy Kollek at the Jerusalem Municipality, the visitor again did more listening than talking. Listing some of the city's accomplishments since Brzezinski had first seen Jerusalem (from the Jewish side) in 1963, Kollek said that Arabs in East Jerusalem could prepare for matriculation to Arab universities and hold Jordanian passports. The mayor added that

such privileges should, in the future, be given legal status, because "some Arabs may worry that they are temporary and wouldn't exist under every Government."

When the political scientist asked the mayor how much power he had in Jerusalem, Kollek smiled: "In theory, only a little. But everybody knows me and I get around, so in practice it is a lot."

Taken out on the roof for a view of the city after dusk, Prof. Brzezinski, a Catholic, took particular interest in the location of the holy places. But he declined to give his or Carter's position on whether the U.S. Embassy should be moved to Jerusalem (Carter, the likely Democratic candidate who depends largely on Brzezinski for foreign policy advice, has said he doesn't yet know if he would follow through on such a commitment, though it is a "plank" in the party's convention platform).

Although he has been widely mooted to take a senior position in a Carter Administration (National Security Council chairman or even Secretary of State) and described by friends as "at least as brainy as Kissinger" but more stable in temperament, Brzezinski downplayed the talk that he is likely to take such a part in U.S. foreign affairs.

## Arab council head detained for 'inflammatory' remarks

Jerusalem Post Reporter

ACRE. — Rashed Salah Salim, head of the Illilim Local Council in Western Galilee, was arrested on Tuesday for allegedly making inflammatory statements against the State. He was released on bail the same day.

The police representative alleged in the Magistrate's Court here that Salim made inflammatory statements at a wedding celebration. He also allegedly sent a memorandum to various government officials and foreign persons — including President Sadat of Egypt and Yasser Arafat — advocating a change in the name of Israel to Israel-Palestine. It is further alleged that he "refused to cooperate."

Salim, who was elected to office recently in place of a man who had

opposed the March 30 "Arab lands" strike, claims he is being persecuted. One reason for this, he says, is that he supported the strike action, which developed into bloody incidents. Other reasons he alleges, include his refusal to sign a document requested by the Israel Lands Administration, transferring land of absent "Palestinian refugees" to the Development Authority; and his plan for a bi-national secular state to include all of Israel and Jordan, "from the bank of the Suez Canal to the Eastern Desert."

According to Salim and other villagers, the police have been conducting searches in the homes of Arabs who supported the March 30 strike. Obviously, the police are looking for material connected with the riots during the strike.

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our beloved

## HANAN SCHLESINGER

Helen Schlesinger

Ruth Neve and family

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## CLARA ORGEL

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The funeral will leave the Sakhedria Funeral Parlour, Jerusalem, at 2.30 p.m. today, Thursday, July 1, 1976, for Har Hamenuhot.

Fay Doron and Avital Hugh and Lena Orgel, Judy and Yael Irene Briskin and Kalonymos and the family in Israel and England.

## Hadassah Woman's Zionist Organization of America

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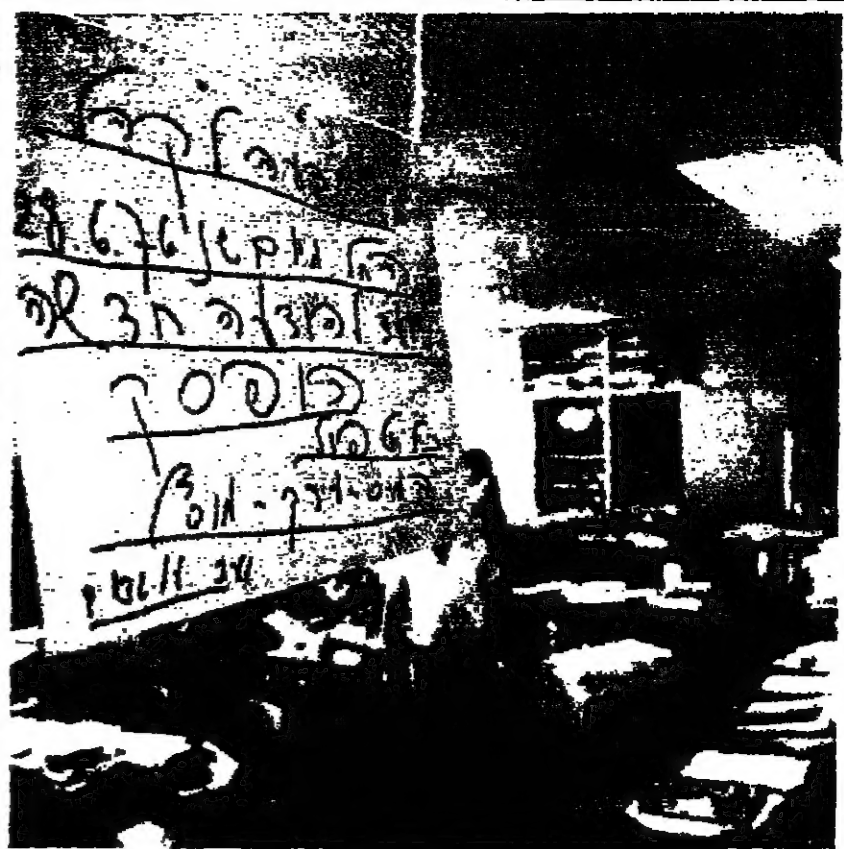
deeply mourn the death of

## Prof. WOLF POLISHUK

Director of the Department of Gynaecology and Obstetrics and share in the sorrow of the family.

His pupils, friends and those revering his memory will pass in front of his coffin at the Medical Centre in Ein Karem today, Thursday, July 1, 1976, from 2-4 p.m.

The funeral procession will leave for Har Hamenuhot at 4 p.m.



Empty counters at Tel Aviv's VAT office indicate the new project is already subject to an old-established Israeli tradition — the labour dispute. The notice tells the public all VAT work has ceased from June 28 until further notice. It is signed by the works committee. (Guthmann)

## VAT STARTS TODAY

(Continued from page 1) are received every day, the Treasury will take its time before taking court action against those who have not registered.

The average price increase resulting from the new tax is estimated at 5 per cent. Some items will be cheaper, especially those now exempt from purchase tax (such as cleaning materials and textiles).

The prices of most other goods will increase today. Petrol and cigarettes will increase by eight per cent as will water and electricity. The increase in prices of other goods will depend to a large extent on demand.

The merchants in the West Bank and East Jerusalem will close shops today in protest against the new tax. To reduce opposition to the tax, the Treasury has decided to delay VAT in the territories until August 1. However, prices of petrol and cigarettes, as well as imported goods, will increase there in order to prevent discrimination between Israel and the territories. The new tax will have four different rates:

- Eight per cent on all goods and services sold. This rate applies to all dealers in the country except the following categories:
- Six per cent on financial institutions, such as banks and commercial insurance companies. These

bodies will pay the tax on total wages and profits. They will not be able to deduct the tax paid on inputs from the tax paid to the Treasury.

• Three per cent on non-profit bodies such as Kupat Holim, synagogues etc. The tax will be on the wages paid by these bodies. As in the previous group, the tax paid on inputs can not be deducted from the tax on the wages.

• Zero per cent on exports of goods and services, as well as on fresh fruits and vegetables and certain goods sold to new immigrants. The tax on the inputs paid to the production of these goods can be deducted. In fact, an exporter will receive monthly a cheque from the Treasury in the sum of the tax paid on inputs for producing the export goods.

• There are goods which are totally exempt, such as the purchase and sale of second hand personal goods (cars, apartments). Other goods exempt are rent and the transactions of a businessman with turnover under IL200 annually. The tax paid on inputs to produce these goods can not be deducted.

In all cases where VAT paid on inputs can not be deducted from VAT to be paid, the payments of VAT are a recognized cost deductible for income tax purposes. (Leader - Page 10)

## Bigger but fewer loans for housing

By ARTHUR KEMELMAN Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Housing Ministry will spend IL1,800m. in 1976 to help solve the housing problems of some 53,000 Israelis and their families, Housing Minister Avraham Ofir said yesterday.

Ofir was speaking at a press conference to introduce his Ministry's new housing-aid plan, which goes into effect today. The plan, he said, will provide for higher loans, but because of budget limitations it will restrict these — more than previously — to three categories of recipients: young couples from socially deprived backgrounds; families choosing to live in development areas; and families moving into sub-standard neighbourhoods to which the ministry wants to attract a "better established" population.

Loans for people who decide to live in development towns will increase by between 25 and 40 per cent. The "build your own home" scheme in development areas will continue, with additional loans available, while young couples forced to rent will receive rental subsidies which will not affect their eligibility for aid when buying a flat later.

Ofir said that "three per cent" programme, to aid those living in overcrowded conditions, will also be expanded, concentrating on 18 neighbourhoods in the country's more heavily populated centres.

## Ben-Meir heads T.A. Labour Council



Dov Ben-Meir

TEL AVIV. — Dov Ben-Meir was last night elected secretary of the Tel Aviv Labour Council, by a majority composed of his own Labour Party faction, the Religious Workers and the Black Panthers.

Who on the eve of the election pledged to turn the Council into a "militant organization" — came from the Likud. Rakah, Moked and Ha'olam Hazeh abstained.

Ben-Meir has since 1969 served as secretary of the powerful Tel Aviv branch of the Labour Party. In an interview with The Jerusalem Post yesterday he said the Histadrut should re-organise its facilities for helping members. He wants Histadrut shops, banks and insurance company offices to be opened in poor neighbourhoods. Special help should be extended to elderly people, Ben-Meir said. He also said Histadrut employees should give private lessons to children in large-poor families.

The new secretary also wants to reach thousands of unorganised workers in small shops. Artisans working alongside one or two helpers often promise to look after the employees interests but the workers end up with the raw end of a deal. Instead of a IL1,000 a month salary and IL700 in social benefits (which are paid to funds) workers agree to get IL1,200 in cash. But when they retire they find themselves empty handed.

Ben-Meir succeeds Uri Alpert who had wanted to remain in office but was compelled to retire because of his age.

Moynihan coming to get H.U. award

The former U.S. Ambassador to the UN, Daniel Moynihan, is due to arrive in Israel tomorrow with his wife and daughter. The main purpose of his visit is to receive an honorary Ph.D. from the Hebrew University.

Mr. Moynihan is also expected to meet with top government officials here. His visit is being arranged by Harry Walker, president of Harry Walker, Inc. a veteran lecture agent.

75 DRUSE university students this week received scholarships worth a total of IL131,000.

## Hillel proposed

TEL AVIV. — The Labour Party's Leadership Bureau last week elected Police Minister Shimon Hillel as the party's candidate for the post of president of the Sephardi Federation in Israel. Hillel was nominated unanimously.

The Canadian external affairs department said yesterday that

the government of Kenya to produce five Palestinian prisoners by this morning or face reprisals, Uganda Radio said yesterday.

The radio, monitored here, quoted the PFLP as saying President Jomo Kenyatta and his administration are responsible for five Palestinians arrested by the Kenya government last January 28. Kenya has denied it holds any pro-Palestinians.

The gunmen said Kenya must disclose the whereabouts of the five before 9 a.m. tomorrow, otherwise the PFLP (Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine) "will act against Kenyatta and his government throughout the world accordingly."

(Reuters, AP)

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# Allon: French stand on hijack fairly encouraging so far

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter  
Foreign Minister Yigal Allon said the Knesset yesterday that Israel was so far deriving a certain amount of encouragement from the fact that France was standing firmly on principle with regard to Monday's hijacking of an Air France Israel-Paris jet, and as recognizing the grave responsibility it bore.

Israel was equally encouraged by its resolve of other governments to give to the murderers' acknowledgment, he continued. The Government would not rest until the stages were freed, Allon said in reply to motion for the agenda of Yitzhak Shamir (Likud); the motion was voted to the Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee.

Turning to recent developments between the U.S. State Department and the PLO, Allon said that if LO men were in future allowed to move out of the Greater New York area, Israel would consider it a "detrimental act."

(Two PLO men accredited to the U.N. went to Washington and Chicago this week, apparently with State Department approval, to meet with politicians, and then violated the terms of their travel permits by going on television.)

The Government, and the nation

fully appreciated assurances by authorized U.S. spokesmen that Washington's stand on the Palestinians was unchanged, Mr. Allon said. They considered the U.S. veto of the anti-Israel resolution in the Security Council this week a courageous and incisive expression of the American position on the Palestinian issue.

"The President and his Secretary of State lay down policy — not anonymous prattling officials," he declared. However, after the two PLO men violated the terms of the permits given them to leave Greater New York, Israel had voiced its astonishment and dissatisfaction with these visits. "Those who granted the permit fall into an undignified trap," he said.

In what seemed a reference to Senator Abraham Ribicoff, the Minister said he wished to criticize "distinguished personalities who behaved with worrisome imprudence in seeing fit to lend prestige to an organization whose members are daily slaughtering hundreds of Christians in Lebanon, in addition to their other murders, hijackings and blackmail."

Allon asked sarcastically whether the thanks the U.S. gave "the Palestinians" after the recent seaborne evacuation of Beirut has been given

because the killers had not murdered any more people, than they did. (One of those murdered was the U.S. Ambassador.)

Shamir had said in his motion that the terrorists presented Israel with a political and not a military threat. Yet the U.S. had recently chosen to add the terrorists with political gestures. Its thanks to the terrorists, after American citizens had had to flee Lebanon because of the terrorists' own activities, was mere surrender to blackmail, Shamir said. Its permit to Shamir al-Hut to visit Washington proved there was erosion in the U.S. position on the Palestinians.

On the plane hijack, Shamir urged the Government to reconsider its ban on the death penalty for terrorists.

The terrorists carried on their nefarious operations because Israel had halted its anti-terror drive against them some years back, Shamir said. They maintained the initiative as long as Israel's strategy remained defensive. Israel must therefore resume the initiative and catch the terrorists unawares.

Mr. Pe'il (Moked), who wanted the motion struck off the agenda, said Israel should stop rebuking the U.S. and announce it was ready to talk to the PLO.



Dominican Under Secretary of Foreign Affairs Licio G. Barrios meeting yesterday with Foreign Minister Yigal Allon. Dr. de Barrios, who arrived on Monday, will be in Israel until July 5. (Photo: Shalek)

## Austrian airmen look at Kfir

By ZEEV SCHUL  
Jerusalem Post Aviation Correspondent  
BEN-GURION AIRPORT. — Two senior Austrian Air Force officers are currently in Israel, studying the Kfir as a possible successor to a number of again U.S.-built aircraft they are about to phase out.

The two will report to the Austrian Defence Minister, who has postponed his arrival until later this summer.

The Austrian Air Force is said to have planned the purchase of 24 new aircraft. Chancellor Bruno Kreisky took the wind out of the sails of possible objections to the sale, saying recently that the Air Force would be guided by objective criteria, such as performance and price, and would not yield to pressure whatsoever.

The two Austrian officers are Lt.-Colonel Lanzetta and Major Birnicker. The latter is reportedly the air force's chief test pilot. The two flew yesterday morning in a tandem seater (training version) Mirage, lined up cheek to jowl with a Kfir. The two planes took off simultaneously in a low angled climb. Both officers will be undergoing a "crash programme" of flight training in the Israeli aircraft. Their "course" will include use of the plane's sophisticated and highly versatile weapons delivery systems.

The Kfir is ranked among the most advanced production line fighter aircraft of its class — a fallow for implementation of austere programmes in all academic and administrative departments, due to the financial crisis facing the university.

ception and short- to medium-range ground support assignments.

Its price is currently quoted at over \$4m, some 50 per cent below that of any comparable type on the market. The Austrians are said to be particularly attracted by the Israeli Air Force conception, which is based on actual battle experience, as well as the plane's unusual versatility.

"Itim" report, quoting the latest issue of the reputable British "Flight International," says the Israeli Aircraft Industry is now making a strong effort to boost sales of the Kfir to countries friendly to Israel. Its list includes Singapore, Mexico and Taiwan. According to "Flight" the IAI has already produced some 100 Kfir aircraft for the Israeli Air Force, in at least three different versions.

## Navy commando hero dies in fall near Sicily

Jerusalem Post Staff  
Captain Yosef (Yosselle) Dror — first commander of the Israeli submarine fleet, stormy petrel of the pre-State Palyam (the Palmah naval force), and a founder of the naval commando corps — died tragically on Tuesday in a fall while climbing a peak on the volcanic island Stromboli, off the Sicilian coast.

He was participating in a field trip organised by Haifa University's Department of the History of Maritime Civilizations. Dror, 51, was a veteran member of Kibbutz Ma'agan Michael, and in recent years divided his time between the kibbutz machine workshop and the Israeli Merchant fleet, in which he served as a captain.

Dror was renowned for his exploits before and during the War of Independence. These included the mining and sinking of an arms ship bound for Syria in an Italian port. He was several times imprisoned by the British, and just as frequently escaped.

After the Six Day War he was decorated in recognition of the exploits of the submarine he commanded in Egyptian ports.

Dror will be buried at Kibbutz Ma'agan Michael on Friday. He leaves a wife and three children. A fourth son was killed several years ago in a riding accident at the kibbutz.

## First brit in new Netanya hospital

By SHOSHANA BERNBAUM  
Jerusalem Post Reporter  
NETANYA. — Brit-mila (circumcision) ceremonies were performed earlier this week on the first two boys to be born in the newly-opened maternity ward of the Laniado Hospital here.

Yehuda, son of Michal and Haim Pirhi, and Yekutiel Yakir, offspring of Shulamit and Haim Cohen, were the focus of all eyes at the festive gathering convened on Monday to mark this double special occasion.

Michal Pirhi, calmly serene amidst the hubbub, told The Jerusalem Post that the maternity ward opened the very day she went into labour.

The hospital is in the Hassidic Kiryat Zanz quarter, whose bearded men and bewigged women, dotted the crowd.

Built mainly by private funds, the hospital maintains only one basic rule in keeping with the orthodox atmosphere of the neighbourhood — that all employees come to work modestly dressed.

SOME 1,200 EMPLOYEES of the Jewish National Fund throughout the country have decided to waive the shorter summer working hours this year, "in consideration of the economic situation and in response to the Government's appeal."

TEACHING CHILDREN how to look at museums is the object of a small British-Council exhibit that opened yesterday at the Tel Aviv Museum. The 16-panel display will be in Tel Aviv for 10 days before going on to Kfar Menahem and Ein Harod.

## Knesset briefs

GRADED TUITION fees will be structured to prevent parents' beating on fee payments, and also to ease the burden of middle-income families, Education Minister Aharon Adlin told the Education Committee yesterday.

TAMP TAX on cheques, receipts and life insurance contracts will be abolished as of today, the Finance Committee decided yesterday.

It deferred a Treasury proposal to abolish stamp tax on accounts entered (hashbonot) next April 1, because the Likud demanded that it be abolished also on July 1, 1976.

GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS would be statutorily compelled to build funds for war emergency economic measures, under an amendment to the Budget Bill by Yitzhak Moda'i (Likud), approved yesterday on the preliminary reading. Moda'i complained that at present departments allocate trifling sums for this and mostly spend them on other purposes anyway.

JUVENILE LOCK-UPS cannot be built for the time being because of budgetary problems, despite repeated decisions to build them, Welfare Minister Zevulun Hammer told the Knesset yesterday, replying to two motions for the agenda from Menahem Yehid (Likud) and Ora Namir (Alignment) which were voted to the Public Services Committee.

THE BROADCASTING Authority's budget cuts, which mean early closure down on Israel TV, will be reconsidered shortly in the Finance Committee.

## 'Christians, Islam must accept Israel'

Jerusalem Post Reporter  
Israel is undergoing a fundamental reconsideration of its basis as a Zionist and Jewish state, according to Hebrew University historian Professor Ya'acov Talmon. He was addressing the closing session of the World Conference of Christians and Jews in Jerusalem yesterday.

Professor Talmon went on to stress that no Christian-Jewish dialogue is possible without an understanding of the meaning of the experience of Israel.

The ingathering of the Jews, contrary to the expectations of Zionist theory, had not abrogated the reasons for anti-Semitism, Talmon told the delegates from 16 countries. Instead a new and perhaps more widespread anti-Semitism had arisen. Instead of "normalizing" the Jewish people, statehood had emphasized their peculiarity.

The Christian churches and Islam must both come to terms with Israel's permanence in the Middle East, Professor Talmon said. He contrasted Arab nationalism's "closed" nature with the "openness" of its Jewish counterpart, characterised by its acceptance of other groups. Israel could not be regarded as a "foreign" in the Middle East, a region which had always been a crossroads and a meeting place of diverse cultures.

## Meat test ban unless fees are raised

Jerusalem Post Reporter  
TEL AVIV. — Municipal veterinary surgeons may soon stop carrying out health tests on fish and frozen meat. Local Authorities' Union secretary-general Ze'ev Melion threatened yesterday that the union might withdraw the service unless the fees paid for it were increased.

The fees were fixed fifteen years ago, and the Union of Local Authorities has frequently appealed to the Ministries of Agriculture and Health for an increase. Local authorities receive one and a half agorot for each kilo of meat examined and one agorot per kilo of fish. The municipalities contend that they need the increase to finance the tests themselves.

Director of Veterinary Services at the Ministry of Agriculture Dr. Arnon Shimshoni told The Jerusalem Post his ministry had recommended one year ago that the fees be raised to five agorot. The recommendation had been accepted and published in the Government Gazette. He did not know whether the new fee had been implemented, Dr. Shimshoni said.

## Call for austerity at Bar-Ilan

Jerusalem Post Reporter  
RAMAT GAN. — Bar-Ilan's board of trustees ended their three-day annual meeting yesterday with a call for implementation of austerity programmes in all academic and administrative departments, due to the financial crisis facing the university.

The board called on the Government to assign maximum priority to the allocation of funds for higher education, which was vital for the continued growth and security of Israel. The board felt that the university deserved special consideration regarding its financial requests.

In this time of crisis in the search for values, Bar-Ilan as a religious university, offered a unique contribution to the needs of the Jewish nation in Israel and the Diaspora.

## Lebanese jam medical stations

Jerusalem Post Reporter  
METULLA. — A record number of Lebanese civilians appeared yesterday at the Israeli Army clinics opened along the border to serve them.

Some 280 Lebanese sought aid at the clinic near Moshav Dovev, in the central sector of the border, and the Metulla tent clinic had about 100. At the Metulla site, ground was being cleared in the nearby orchard for a more permanent clinic.

The Dovev clinic, which opened about three weeks ago, operates on Sundays, Tuesdays and Thursdays. There were two doctors on duty there yesterday to handle the load. The Metulla clinic, which this week has been averaging 80-100 a day, may get a larger medical team if the stream of Lebanese keeps on growing. A water tank has now been installed there, from which water is piped to the Lebanese waiting on the other side of the border fence for admission.

The total number of Lebanese treated at the border medical stations over the past few months is now estimated to run into the thousands.

## Yugoslavs knock Israel out of basketball Olympics

Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter  
TEL AVIV. — Israel basketball on Tuesday night bowed out of the 1976 Olympics following their decisive defeat by European champions, Yugoslavia, 110:77, in the Olympic qualifying rounds in Hamilton, Canada.

Brazil, Czechoslovakia and Yugoslavia yesterday were set for the final in the men's group A section of the tournament after clear victories on Tuesday.

The Yugoslavs dictated a fast pace throughout the game with Israel surging into a 62:37 lead by halftime. In the second period they increased their lead to 88:55, at which point the Israel hoppers, led by Boaz Yanzal, produced their best basketball to reduce the margin of defeat.

Top scorers for Israel were Micky Berkowitz 20, Yanni 13 and Shmuel Avissar 15 points.

The game marked the retirement from international basketball of Tal Brodie, the 33-year-old captain of Israel. Brodie, here of many games for Israel and Tel Aviv Maccabi, appeared 78 times for the national team. He is expected to continue to play for Tel Aviv Maccabi.

Brodie immigrated to Israel from the U.S. in 1966, and more than any other single person, raised the level of Israel basketball in recent years.

## Hashish ordered from police

By ARTHUR KEMELMAN  
Jerusalem Post Reporter  
TEL AVIV. — A Ramat Gan resident, who called a drug dealer here to order a sole of hashish, learned several hours that he had placed his order with the police, not a dealer.

Before the 30-year-old electrical goods dealer made his call to the Rehov Mishmar Hayarden apartment, police had raided the apartment and seized 700 grams of hashish, a powder suspected of

being heroin and IL21,000. Four persons were arrested, including two customers who came to buy drugs.

The police — who had remained in the apartment on the theory it was a distribution centre — set up a Monday evening appointment with the unsuspecting Ramat Gan resident. Instead of getting his sole of hashish, he was detained for 48 hours. A search of his Rehov Haroe apartment revealed small quantities of hashish, 100 grams of heroin and marijuana.

## School year ends under shadow of budget cuts

By ERMIE MEYER  
Jerusalem Post Reporter  
The school year ended yesterday for most of the country's school population, which grew by 23,000 last year to stand at 1,035,000 — a solid third of the entire population.

Budget cuts cast their shadow over the year, with retrenchment and the curtailment of new programmes in many fields of educational activity, Ministry spokesman Yisrael Cohen, said yesterday.

During the year some 30,000 11th and 12th grade pupils took part in special courses on Judaism and Zionism, given in 14 seminars set up by the Ministry. About 1,500 teachers also took part in workshops on the same subject.

The country's 58 teacher training colleges had an enrolment of 13,400 this year, including 200 new immigrants. Among the student teachers and kindergarten teachers are also some 500 young men from development towns, who have undertaken to work in their home towns upon graduation. The 4,300 teachers graduating this year included 400 Arabs.

The following were among a list of brief items about the 1975/76 school year, cited by the spokesman.

- Yiddish and Ladino will in future be included as bagrut subjects.
- A committee was set up to investigate ways of lightening the load of books carried in youngsters' schoolbags.
- The first vocational school for Negev Beduin was opened.
- The average number of pupils in elementary school classes

rose by 0.1 per cent, to stand at 27.5.

- IL2.5m. in incentives were given to 442 teachers who moved to development towns.
- Plans were approved for the absorption in kibbutzim of 1,100 deprived children.
- A first course in reading and writing was started for the women of the Hozayel Beduin tribe in the Negev.
- The first State elementary school was opened in the southern part of the Golan Heights.
- The Ministry saved IL1.5m. by re-examining income statements by parents of 1,200 high school pupils and cancelling the tuition exemptions of some of them.
- Community centres operated (after school hours) in 14 school buildings.

## NOTICE TO CIGARETTE RETAILERS

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Broadway, Time 100	5.00	235.47	1.08
Time, Europe, Time Menthol, Sheraton, Nelson Filter, Savoy	4.30	203.44	0.86
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Ascot, Dubek Filter, Eden, Polaris, Montblanc	2.60	122.65	0.55
Dubek 18	1.80	84.59	0.41
El Al	1.40	66.00	0.30
Silon	1.30	62.24	0.21
Ayalon	1.20	57.56	0.19

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2. 10-week Hebrew course — for all levels	September 12, 1976
3. 3-week spoken Hebrew for beginners	August 1, 1976 September 12, 1976
4. 4-week Hebrew Brush-Up, correct spelling	July 26, 1976 September 12, 1976
5. 4-week reading and writing — for those who speak fluent Hebrew	July 26, 1976 September 12, 1976

ARABIC	OPENING DATES
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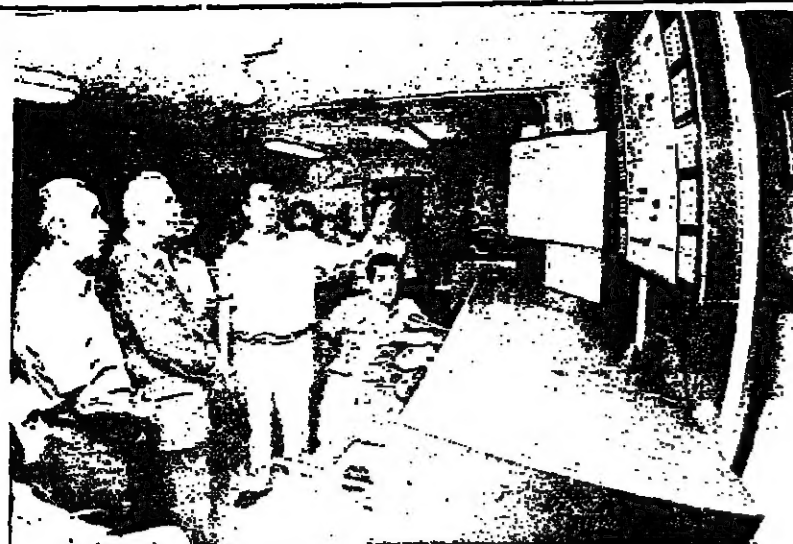
Jerusalem residents and visitors from the U.S. are invited to mark the American Bicentennial on Friday, July 2, 11.45 a.m., at the site of the

## Liberty Bell Garden

corner of King David and Jabotinsky Streets, Jerusalem. American visitors from selected cities will be photographed at the bell site for their home-town newspapers, from 11.15 a.m.



## LOCAL NEWS



The 23rd lottery of the Magen David Adom was opened officially on Tuesday night at its centre in Yad Eliyahu, with President Efraim Katzir donating IL1,500 worth of tickets to the Police-Minister of Health Victor Shemtov donated a hundred tickets to an old-age home for Bulgarian immigrants. President Katzir is shown viewing the MDA control centre.

## Crew strikes MFC ship on docking in Haifa

By YAACOV FRIEDLER  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The Maritime Fruit Carrier company's refrigeration ship, Persimmon Core, the last of the company's seven Israeli flag ships still sailing, was struck by her crew yesterday afternoon, immediately upon her arrival here. The ship, which was carrying half-a-million cases of Californian oranges to Rotterdam, had been diverted to Haifa by her master, Captain Ephraim Marcovitz, against company orders, for fear of bloodshed from the crew, who had not been paid for months.

Although the diversion had been condemned as a possible mutiny at sea, no complaint was lodged with the police, and everything was quite calm on board the ship when it anchored yesterday. The ship was manned by 13 Israeli officers, some accompanied by their wives and children, and 20 foreign sailors during its 22-day voyage. The officers and ratings unions, after talking with the captain, decided to give him the "full backing of the whole merchant navy."

The strike was ordered by the unions, to protect the men's rights and to divert a possible mutiny into a labour dispute, as well as to attempt to keep the ships under the Israeli flag and assure jobs for their union members. The unions' lawyers also prepared an application for attachment of the ship, over the \$70,000 in unpaid wages the crew claims, for possible filing in the admiralty court today.

Meanwhile, the crews of three other company ships, which the firm is holding in Japanese harbours, had vacation orders served to them by Japanese courts. But the unions instructed them to reject them and to physically resist any attempt to force them off the vessels, so the creditors could seize the ships. In the afternoon, the unions were warned by the crew of a fourth MFC vessel, which is being held in Germany, that the local police might try to dislodge them. The unions ordered the men to forcibly resist and if necessary to use firearms. At the same time, the creditors' banks put out feelers to the unions for an amicable settlement, and the unions yesterday called back proposing a meeting to discuss the issue. The unions' greatest concern is for the jobs, as only the MFC ships need marine refrigeration engineers.

Immediately after the Persimmon Core dropped anchor in the bay, the coastal police boarded for a routine border control and asked the captain whether he wished to lodge a complaint against the crew. The captain declined, stating that the decision to divert the ship to Haifa had been his alone. The next

## Joint action by Diaspora, Israel wanted

Special to The Jerusalem Post  
Rabbi Arthur Hertzberg, president of the American Jewish Congress, opened the 12th American-Israel "Dialogue" here on Tuesday night with a call for "serious joint consultation and action" between Diaspora Jewry and the State of Israel.

"I do not mean to deny either the sovereignty or the pre-eminence of Israel's political leadership," he said, "but the rest of the Jewish world must be brought into the ongoing process of thinking and planning to deal with our inter-related problems."

In his address on the "Dialogue" theme, "The Contemporary Meaning of Zionism: New Definitions and New Directions," Rabbi Hertzberg said U.S. Jews accepted the "centrality of Israel" not as a call to move to the Jewish state, but as a way of keeping their own Jewishness alive.

"The prime task of Zionism today," he said, "is to mount a rescue operation so every Jewish child receives some kind of Jewish education, some direct experience of Israel early in his life, so that he is challenged with the possibility of opting for aliyah."

Former Foreign Minister Abba Eban told the American Jewish Congress-sponsored symposium that "for the first time in our history, Diaspora Jewry is not giving that of which Israel stands in the greatest need."

He said Israel's "pathos and peril" lay in the country's "demographic drought" and called on world Jewry to "meet this challenge."

At the Van Leer Institute yesterday, Dr. Nahum Goldmann, president of the World Jewish Congress, argued that Zionism was "always more than state-building" and that the task that remains is creating a just society which could not begin until Israel's security was ensured.

While asserting that "Israel is still a young state and therefore cannot yet be judged," he warned against what he called "the tendency toward idolatry of the state as an end in itself rather than as an instrument for implementing the prophetic ideals of the Jewish people."

By JACK LEON  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

WIMBLEDON. — Top Israeli Hagit Zuhari and Shlomo Glickstein were both bundled unceremoniously out of the Wimbledon junior tennis championships on Tuesday evening, each going down rather tamely to straight-set defeats in the opening round of the 40-nation event.

Hagit was beaten 6-3, 6-3 by Holland's No. 1 junior Inga Korsten. Glickstein went down 6-2, 6-2 to Australian Charles Fancutt.

By unhappy coincidence, the two junior matches were played at exactly the same time, forcing the small group of Israelis and other supporters present to try without much success to keep their eyes on both contests simultaneously. (Luckily, at least they were held on adjoining courts.)

Hagit, 16, took the court against her 17-year-old Dutch opponent, Zuhari, who was a few weeks older than Hagit. Hagit, who will face either Billy Jean King or Chris Evert in the Israel-U.S. first-round tie of the \$130,000 federal cup international team tennis competition for women in Philadelphia, Hagit is expected to play Israel's No. 2 singles racquet to Paulina Feisachov in the 41-nation competition, in which America is seeded first.

The hard-hitting Korsten — who, by another coincidence, defeated Israel's Ronit Heller in two sets in the first round of the 1975 junior Wimbledon — was always in command, constantly forcing the slender Israeli girl onto the defensive with her aggressive approach.

The Tel Avivian contributed to her own downfall by poor service, which she lost in four games out of five in the first set and three out of five in the second. Hagit's best shot was a forehand cross-court drive, used to particularly good effect in the final set, when she came from behind to reach 3-4.

Former longtime Israeli junior champion Glickstein, now second to Yehoshua Shalem in the men's rankings, did not carry the weight of shots to seriously challenge Fancutt, Australia's third-ranking under-19 player.

Glickstein was also let down by his service, which included numerous double faults, while his opponent's own great return-of-service added to his woes. On the fast grass surface, Glickstein was far below his best form, and, again like Hagit, he was guilty of some careless shots.

The two Israelis both succumbed in less than an hour. Glickstein leaves London on Sunday for Brussels to join the other members of Israel's Gales Cup team, Shai Puni and Ian Sherr. The three will compete in tournaments in Belgium and France, in preparation for their semi-final group matches in the cup at Murcia, Spain, starting on July 20.

Israel received a bye into one of the four semi-final sections of the 22nd annual Gales Cup — the world-wide team event for boys of 20 and under, known as the "Junior Davis Cup" — on the basis of successful debut in last year's tournament. Israel starts her challenge in the five-nation Murcia pool with a tie against Poland. Some 35 countries are participating in the Gales competition.

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# It won't be a Ford-Reagan ticket

Washington Insight / Joseph Kraft

HINGTON. — President Gerald and his men have good reason to like the possibility of putting Ford on the ticket as vice-presidential candidate in November. But the reasons are more from a tactic of decision — heading off a drift to an — than from any serious interest.

If Ford wins the nomination, an and other running mates more appealing to the party the country than Reagan. That is especially to the area where an is poison — the Northeast Great Lakes states, which are ng up as increasingly crucial ny Republican win over De- at Jimmy Carter.

understand all this it is neces- to analyse Ford's dicey posi- in the race for the nomination. he is reasonably close to 130 delegates necessary to win nomination, he has an obvious ness.

ch of the support supposedly uted to the President — and generally counted in his n — is soft. Delegates who early for the President sup- him with their heads on the lation that he was a sure er anyway.

w that Reagan has emerged possible winner, their hearts

come into play. They are more and more attuned to the conservative chords which Reagan touches so skilfully. As a result there has been some backsliding in the Ford camp.

In the New York delegation, for example, the Associated Press origi- nally counted 119 votes for Ford. A reassessment the other day shows that eight delegates had slipped into the uncommitted column.

In Pennsylvania, the original count was 88 delegates for Ford. Now 18 have slipped into the independent column, leaving only 70 for Ford.

In these conditions, it behooves the Fordites to spread the word that the President would gladly take Reagan on his team as Vice-Presidential candidate. By seeming to lean in the direction of the former California governor, the President gives those with second thoughts a chance to have their cake and eat it. They can be for both Ford and Reagan.

Once he has the nomination, how- ever — and it is by no means sure that he can get it — Ford has a different perspective on Reagan. For one thing he doesn't have to be all that nice to the former movie star to remitte the party. He can achieve that goal by taking on

board as big deals in his own cam- paign the leading figures supporting Reagan. Indeed, some of these — notably the campaign director, John Sears — are so good that Ford would gain enormously by having them on his side.

Now is Reagan country unreach- able for Ford in the general elec- tion. A great many of the states carried by Governor Reagan in the primaries would go for Ford in the Presidential vote.

Arizona, for example, where Reagan virtually wiped out the presi- dent, is sure to go for Ford in November if he is the Republican nominee. The Arizona model applies to most of the area between the Mississippi River and the Pacific Coast states. That region will go Republican, as it did in 1960 and 1968, no matter who the party nominates.

To be sure, there are three big states in the South and West which are up for grabs where Reagan has important pulling-power — California, Texas and Florida. But former Texas Governor John Con- nally, a better campaigner and far more able man, could help Ford more than Reagan in those states. Especially Texas, which he could

probably carry as Vice-Presidential candidate, and California, where Reagan might well be a liability.

More important are the North- eastern and Great Lakes states. Jimmy Carter is clearly vulnerable here. In the primaries, he lost Massachusetts, New York, New Jersey and Illinois, and only barely carried Michigan, Connecticut and Pennsylvania. But whatever chance Ford has of doing well in this area would be scotched by the presence of Reagan on the ticket.

Indeed, the snail of a Ford-Reagan ticket has given Republicans from the Northwest a new case of Gold- water fever. Vince Albano, the Re- publican leader of Manhattan, said of a Ford-Reagan ticket that "in the East it would kill us." One of Vice-President Nelson Rockefeller's henchmen, George Himm, told the Republican National Committee that the prospect of a Ford-Reagan ticket might revive a Rockefeller candidacy. Though the declaration has been denied by the Vice-Presi- dent, talk continues to circulate here in Washington of a Ford-Rockefel- der ticket.

So while a central mystery ob- scures the name of the Republican Presidential nominee, one thing seems clear. If Ford comes out on top, his No. 2 will not be Ronald Reagan.



The British and American mercenaries sentenced to death for their activities in the Angolan civil war "could be dead by the end of the week," Jack Dromey, who attended the trial in Luanda, said on Tuesday on returning to London. The mercenaries are seen standing in the dock as they awaited sentencing on Monday. American Daniel Gearhart (extreme right) was one of four sentenced to die, along with Britons Costas Georgiou, Andrew MacKenzie and John Barker. American Gary Acker (second from right) was given 16 years. Dromey, who attended the trial as a member of the Angolan-convicted International Commission into Mercenaries, declared that the death sentences would only be commuted if the British were prepared to stamp out mercenary recruitment. (AP radiophoto)

Senate c'tte okays reappointment

## General Brown scores Jewish 'influence'

WASHINGTON. — The Senate Armed Services Committee on Tues- day approved Gen. George Brown for another two-year term as chairman of the U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff despite his renewed com- plaint about the influence of the Jewish lobby.

The 13-2 vote in favour of reap- pointment came after two hours of additional questioning of Brown behind closed doors.

Sen. Thomas McIntyre, Democrat- New Hampshire, one of those op- posing reappointment, said the gen- eral's remarks to the committee on Monday indicated "no substantive change in his attitudes" despite a presidential reprimand in 1974 for saying that Jews owned the U.S. banks and newspapers and have too much influence on Congress.

When asked by Sen. Robert Taft, republican-Ohio, about remarks he made in an October 1974 speech, Brown replied he had said three things, "two of which were wrong and one of which was inappropriate."

He indicated the wrong state- ments were ones that Jews own the banks and the newspapers of the U.S. He said the inappropriate one was "that I felt that the Jew- ish community in the U.S. had an undue influence on the Congress of the U.S."

Asked if he still believed if that was true, Brown said, "in all candour I do, but I feel it is not un- usual. There are other special in- terest groups that have influence or seek to achieve influence in the Congress of the U.S."

He later explained that he did not imply "anything sinister, wrong, or illegal" in lobbying on behalf of Israel.

Taft joined McIntyre in voting against Brown's confirmation, say- ing the general's responses "show a lack of sensitivity to public opinion that is particularly inap- propriate for one in his position."

Taft said he questioned Brown on a number of key issues in de- fence posture "and some of his replies have raised doubts in my mind as to his full understanding, judgment, or articulation relating to some of those issues."

Chairman John C. Stennis said the lopsided committee vote indi- cates full Senate confirmation of Brown for a second term as the top U.S. military officer. Brown's first term expired yesterday.

McIntyre, who called for Brown's resignation in 1974 after the gen- eral's remarks about the Jewish lobby at a Duke University seminar, again commented that Brown "step down voluntarily for the good of his country."

## Fashion Week in summer too

By JOANNA YEHIEL

Israel's export-oriented International Fashion Week, until now a winter event only, based in Tel Aviv, is expanding its activities to include a summer show, which will be held in Jerusalem. The event will be staged at the Jerusalem Hilton from August 23 to 27, where foreign buyers will get their chance to see what Israel firms are offer- ing for spring and summer 1977.

Some 90 firms are due to take part, and the aim is to make Sum- mer Fashion Week an annual event; at least as successful as its winter counterpart (which drew a record 600 buyers from abroad in Febru- ary).

The decision to go bi-annual re- flects a feeling of confidence in the fashion world that Israel is a ser- ious factor in international markets. Yael Matan, director of the Fashion Centre of the Israel Export Insti- tute, told the press yesterday that Israel was following international practice by having summer and winter showings.

Jerusalem's mayor, Teddy Kollek, saw the week from the civic point of view: "We are trying to put Jerusalem on the fashion map. In fact, we have been trying to put Jerusalem on the map of a lot of things — theatre and music, for example — and we feel that an integral part of this cultural drive is fashion." Mayor Kollek will be doing his bit for the fashion world during his British stopover next week, en route to the U.S. Bicen- nennial celebrations. In London he will be meeting with Marks and Spencer buyers for talks.

Foreign buyers have come to the realization that Israel is a good place to shop for fashion, according to Fashion Centre chairman Arye Frenkel. He cites three reasons, apart from the high quality of the local product: high import tariffs on goods of far eastern origin, political instability in Israel's com- petitor countries, and the economic recovery in the U.S.

## After U.S. vetoes Council move on Palestinians Herzog raps UN's 'paranoic obsession with Israel'

ED NATIONS. — Israel Am- bodor Chaim Herzog denounced Security Council debate on re- nominations of the General As- sly's committee on Palestinian as on Tuesday as a "further- ple of the miserable behaviour ie UN under Arab instigation."

Herzog, whose delegation boycot- the month-long debate, issued a ment after the U.S. vetoed a cil resolution affirming Pales- n rights.

he debate in the Security Coun- on the Palestine issue is yet rther example of the miserable viour of the UN under Arab gation engaging in its paranoic sion with Israel while ignoring human tragedy of Lebanon for 15th month running," he said. his was a PLO (Palestine Lib- on Organization)-sponsored and gated report (of the Assembly nittee) and discussion, in which bers of the Security Council icipated while the PLO was ged in its traditional hijacking ncent passengers and civilian es and bringing death, slaughter destruction to fellow Arabs in Lebanon."

Herzog said the committee's pro- is — for Israeli withdrawal all Arab territory by next 1, and for the return of Pales- n refugees to property held by el — were "designed to bring the dismantlement of the e of Israel" and the resolution

defeated in the Council concerning them was entirely one-sided, biased and hostile.

"The Security Council saw fit to discuss in all seriousness the committee's report," he said, "while 15,000 Syrian troops were marching into Lebanon and while refugees in camps there were being bombed and strafed day after day by their Arab brethren."

"During the 11 hideous months of the war in Lebanon, 20,000 to 30,000 people have been brutally killed and mutilated, and perhaps three times that number have been wounded and maimed. Yet the UN has never once discussed that human tragedy and threat to inter- national peace and security, simply because the Arab states have pro- nounced the issue taboo," Herzog charged.

The veto was cast Tuesday by U.S. representative Albert Sherer Jr., sitting in for ambassador Wil- iam Scrantom, who is on an African tour. It put a long-expected end to a Council debate held sporad- ically since June 9 on a report by the "committee on the exercise of the inalienable rights of the Pales- tinian people."

The report called for Israeli with- drawal from occupied Arab lands, the phased establishment of a Palestinian "entity" in the West Bank and Gaza Strip, and after that, "further arrangements for the full implementation of the inalien-

able rights of the Palestinian people."

The U.S. veto killed a drive by the PLO to have the Council at least "take note" of the report. The report itself still goes on the next fall's General Assembly, where it is guaranteed overwhelming support from the Third World and Communist majority.

Although Sherer was alone in voting against the resolution, Britain, France, Italy and Sweden abstained on grounds that the report concentrated on only one aspect of the Mideast problem.

Explaining his vote, Sherer said the U.S. government didn't doubt that the committee's effort had been "well intentioned. But ... is it realistic to assume much a problem can be resolved by committees, no matter how well meaning?"

He said the resolution was "total- ly devoid of balance" and added that the "political interests" of the Palestinians must remain a ques- tion for Israeli-Arab negotiations. (UPI, AP)

## U.S., Syria negotiating Hercules sale

By WOLF BLITZER  
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — American sources said on Tuesday that the Lockheed Aircraft Company was currently negotiating the sale of four L-100 transport planes to Syria and another two planes to Iraq. The L-100 is the civilian version of the C-130 Hercules military transport plane.

The State Department spokesman officially confirmed that agreement in principle has been given for Syria to purchase the plane. He said that he did not know whether Iraq had also been approved. But American officials here privately confirmed that Iraq could purchase the plane.

The Jerusalem Post first reported the agreement in principle for the sale to Syria on June 20. That report led to Israel's request for clarification to the State Department, which confirmed the report.

Spokesman Robert Fumeth on Tuesday told reporters that Israel has expressed concern over the deal to the State Department.

Fumeth stressed that the L100 is a purely commercial aircraft, and that the proposed sale does not represent the establishment of a U.S.-Syrian military supply relationship. He did not know how many planes were involved. Aviation experts said there is little difference between the L-100 and C-130.

Meanwhile, the State Department reiterated that the U.S. still remains prepared to sell Jordan an advanced Hawk air-defence system. Fumeth said that he was unaware whether Jordan had negotiated an agreement for a similar Sam system with the Soviet Union during King Hussein's recent visit to Moscow.

American sources said that Hus- sein had promised the U.S. Ambas- sador in Amman, Thomas Pickering, before leaving Jordan for Moscow, that he would not commit Jordan to a deal with the Soviets without first discussing the matter once again with the U.S.

Some observers here expressed optimism that a Jordan-Soviet deal had not been worked out and re- ferred to the avoidance of any men- tion of military sales to Jordan in the joint communique issued in Moc- scow.



British officer in Hongkong's police force takes a little ribbing from Miss Israel, Rena Messinger, centre, and Miss Germany, ridett Hamner, during a visit by contestants in the Miss Uni- verse competition to a police post near the Hongkong-China border. The two girls are among about 70 contestants participat- ing in this year's contest, to be held in Hongkong on July 11. (AP radiophoto)

## K to Iran in August

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

ASHINGTON. — Secretary of State Kissinger may visit Iran and other Middle Eastern states during first week in August, the State department said Tuesday.

"That's a possibility, but no final ison has yet been made," spokes- n Robert Fumeth said.

Asked whether other countries in Middle East would be included such a proposed visit, Fumeth said: "There are some other sibilities. I am not in a position say."

Asked whether Israel was being nsidered, he said: "I don't know."

## Seychelles dedicated to peace

VICTORIA, Seychelles Republic. — James Mancham, President of the Seychelles Republic which became independent on Monday after 166 years of British rule, told a press conference Tuesday his country was dedicated to the idea of making the Indian Ocean a zone of peace.

"We believe the big powers should keep out of the Indian Ocean," the 37-year-old president said. "But when we know they are there any- way, we would rather see a bal- anced situation than a one-sided presence."

Mancham was being questioned about the presence of a U.S. naval base on Diego Garcia, on the fringe of the scattered Seychelles Archi- pelago. (Reuters)



## ATTENTION

Members of Kupat Holim Maccabi incorporating Kupat Holim Assaf

The following is the text of a letter, dated June 6, 1976, sent to us by the Israel Pharmacists' Association (Union).

Prof. E. Freudenthal  
Director of Kupat Holim Maccabi (incorporating Assaf)  
10A Behov Balfour  
Tel Aviv

Most honoured sir,

In light of the situation created by the non-renewal of the exemption on the part of the Income Tax Commission, and the introduction of deduction at source from the total due to pharmacists and pharmacy owners for the supply of medicines to those insured by your institution, we are to defer the signing of a contract with you until new arrangements are finalized making it possible for pharmacists and for our Association to continue the supply of medicines to those insured by your institution.

Effective July 1, 1976, the Secretary of our Association will not handle collection, coordination, and transfer of accounts to your institution for the purpose of reimbursement.

Our pharmacist members will continue to supply medicines according to prescriptions recommended by your institution's physicians against full payment. They will confirm receipt of the sum on the prescription and/or on a special receipt, in order to make it possible for those insured in your institution to receive reimbursement.

We hope that Government institutions will understand that cancellation of the exemption will cause much suffering to those insured by your institution. This we regret.

Most respectfully yours,  
Mgr. E. Bass  
Chairman  
Mgr. A. Friedman  
Secretary  
(—) (—)

The contents of the letter speak for themselves. Kupat Holim Maccabi, incorporating Kupat Holim Assaf, is not a party to the controversy between the Pharmacists' Association and the tax authorities, and sees this step of the Association as an attempt to exploit the sick and disabled members of our institution who need medicines. This is obviously designed to activate pressure on the Finance Ministry.

Kupat Holim Maccabi, incorporating Kupat Holim Assaf, is prepared to make alternate arrangements for the supply of medicines to its members. Meanwhile, members who are refused medicines, on the Kupa's account at pharmacies, are requested to pay for medicaments. They should specifically demand the account tab which shows that V.A.T. has been paid according to law. Members should keep the prescription together with this tab, which will also serve as a receipt, in order to be reimbursed.

An announcement will be made at later date concerning method of reimbursement.

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From IMAGES OF AMERICA by photographer Harvey Lloyd who will present a multi-media programme at Tel Aviv Museum, July 6, at the Wise Auditorium, Hebrew University, July 7, as part of the United States Cultural Centre's Bicentennial Celebrations.

IN SUMMER one may dream of elaborate meals, but inevitably one ends by preparing something quick. In winter I'm often prepared to go to great lengths to create exotic dishes, but the idea of standing over a hot stove in July usually wiles my enthusiasm before I even light the gas.

Meatballs and gravy with mashed potatoes may sound a fattening meal, but it needn't be so, and preparation time is only 20 minutes. The most important element is the meat itself. If you can afford it, it's best to use lean, freshly ground beef. Try to persuade your butcher to mince it before your very eyes. He'll probably point to something he says he'd just finished mincing five minutes before you walked in, but explain that you have this phobia which you cannot overcome. Or just tell him that you're dieting... he's sure to comment on how skinny you are, and you'll both feel invigorated

## FIGURE IT OUT Jodie Oron

# Cooking for the summer

by this gossip encounter.

Begin by cooking in a medium-sized pot two packages of Telma diet mushroom soup (30 calories) according to directions on the package. Dice finely 1 onion (25 calories) and 1 cup of mushrooms (30 calories) and add to the soup. Simmer gently until the vegetables are tender (about 5 minutes). In a bowl, mix 300 gr. minced beef (800 calories, if lean), with 1 egg (80 calories) and cup bread crumbs (85 calories). Season with a dash of Tabasco and Worcester sauce, garlic powder and salt.

Shape the meat mixture into balls of 1 tbs. each. Place gently into the pot with the vegetables, cover tightly and simmer until the meat is thoroughly steamed (about 10-15 minutes). Grand total for the meal is 870 calories. Serves 3. Each portion — 290 calories.

Boil one potato per person, cut up (90 calories per person). Mash and whip lightly with a fork together with either ½ tsp. lemon juice and salt (5 calories), or with a small amount of pure milk powder (i.e., Coffee Mate) and water (10 calories). In all, 95-100 calories to make 355 - 400 calories for the entire meal.

If you don't feel like potatoes, but do crave something fattening, treat yourself to a serving of the mushrooms and gravy on a slice of toast as an appetizer. In that case, almost any boiled vegetable will do nicely for mopping up all those mushrooms and sauce.

## Why French farmers curse the sun

NEVER in living memory has the sun in France been so cursed for shining.

The country is in the grip of a drought such as it has only known three times in the past 100 years, and the forecasts are that all records will be broken before the autumn. Drought is bad enough in Britain, which is not intensively farmed. France is the kitchen garden of Europe, and drought is bringing tragedy to hundreds of thousands of families and threatens to burn a large hole in the national budget by the end of the year.

Every day for weeks past the sun has risen into a blue sky and reached the west at evening without once encountering a cloud. It has long since boiled away the village duckponds, leaving the ducks grounded in cracked deserts. It has burned the pasture in the path of browsing cattle, dried the seed of the spring-sown crops lying unspurred in the dusty fields and poisoned fish in rivers where there is no fresh water to dilute the pollution.

The worst hit areas are those that are normally the greenest — the country north of a line between

By ROBIN SMYTH

Bordeaux and Strasbourg. In parts of Normandy and Brittany hardly any rain has fallen since mid-February. Starving cattle are eating the hayfields that should feed them next winter or are grazing in the shrivelled green corn that the farmer has despaired of harvesting. The price of hay has doubled and many farmers are sending cattle to slaughter because they can no longer feed them.

The country's electricity supply is being affected by the shrinking rivers. Already the State-run electricity company has slightly lowered the voltage of domestic lighting and industry may have to face periodic supply cuts soon.

Only in the driest places, however, are there as yet definite instructions to householders to stop watering their gardens and washing their cars. But there is a moral pressure building up to limit the use of water.

"The civic feeling of Frenchmen will be measured this summer by the

colour of their lawns," says Christian Bonnet, the Minister of Agriculture.

The Government is deeply concerned about the welfare and temper of the farming community. "The farmers' living standards will be maintained," assures Michel Poniatowski, the Minister of the Interior. But a full accounting of the losses of individuals will only be made at the end of September. Even without the drought the troubles of France's farmers quickly arouse them to fury, especially in areas like Brittany where there is separatist feeling. Will their desperation boil over before the autumn?

Finally, there is the threat of fire. Each summer, even when there is rain, fire destroys large tracts of France's southern forests in July and August. Now, in full summer heat, the forests are drier than ever before and the first fires have started.

So far, the Atlantic storms are sweeping off to the north without hitting France. Will the inexorable weather pattern be broken? The meteorologists report that as yet there is no relief in sight. (Ofns)

ONCE upon a time al Jib was the Biblical Gibeon. "... a great city... like one of the royal cities... and all its men were mighty." (Joshua 9:1-2). Today al Jib is a small Arab village between Jerusalem and Ramallah, holding its ancient ways as firmly as its stone houses cling to limestone ridges encircling the love-ly hill.

Visit al Jib in the afternoon. If you can, when the transparent end-of-the-day light makes magic. Drive up the hillside road into the village past the broad bedrock shelves on the western slopes of the hill. In the summer when the wheat harvest is in and the wind blows, the villagers stand on these rock floors and thresh their grain. They know now that beneath their vineyards and orchards lies ancient Gibeon, or Givon.

The American archaeologist James B. Pritchard came to al Jib to excavate in 1956, certain from its location and from the sound of the name that he would discover the remains of Givon. He stayed to dig for four summer seasons. Much of what Pritchard discovered has been reburied to permit the fertile soil to bear its fruits. But if we know where to look, Givon is still there for us to see.

Leave your car in the open area at the top of the hill and walk along the path parallel to the stone wall of the cemetery until you see on your left an open bedrock area pocked with holes. Find a way down the bank. You are standing now in Gibeon of the Bible, the city through whose gates there walked for 400 years heroes and villains of the Bible.

Givon — we shall use the Hebrew name from now on — appeared on the Biblical stage about the 12th century B.C.E., when Joshua arrived to conquer it, only to have his prize denied him by being tricked into a covenant of peace by the town's crafty Harvite residents (Joshua 9).

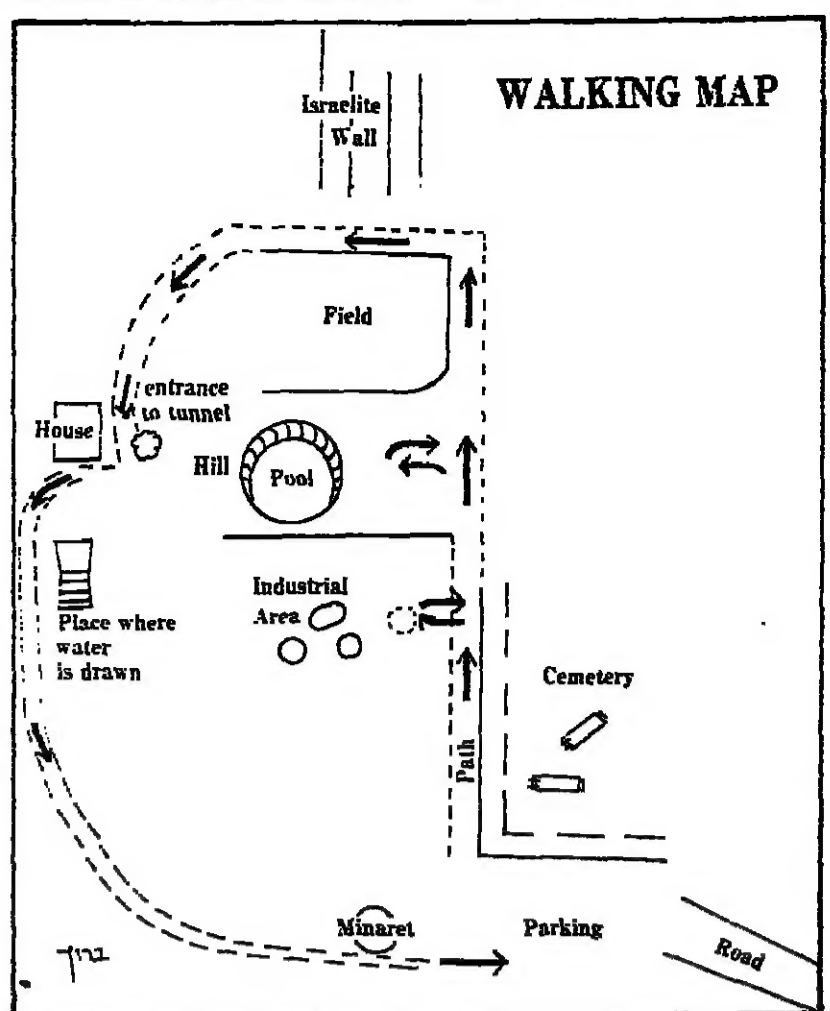
But where we stand above the perforated rock is a reminder of daily life and industry rather than conquest and bloodshed. This reminder takes the form of holes, about a metre in diameter, which are entrances to flask-shaped "cellars."

Archaeologists believe that wine jugs were stacked two layers deep in these cool cellars. Remains from the three stages in the process of wine-making were found: grape treading basins, fermentation vats and settling tanks, stoppers and jugs, a funnel, and most precious of all — jug handles inscribed in Hebrew with the name of "Givon" and with five popular Biblical names, possibly those of the town's wine merchants. Hard to imagine today, but Pritchard calculated that almost 100,000 litres of wine could have been stored in these wine cellars.

Long the wine industry now and climb toward the prominent mound of dirt a few metres away. There, below the dirt pile, which until recently filled and obscured it, is a marvel of hand labour. Carved from

EXPLORATIONS / Suzanne F. Singer

# Re-discovering ancient Gibeon



the bedrock in the 12th or 11th century B.C.E. is an 11-metre-deep pit encircled by a staircase with protective balustrade. Unseen, below the bottom of this pit the stone stairs continue in a tunnel another 15 metres to a water room fed by seepage from the underground spring six metres away. Is this the "pool of Givon" spoken of in II Samuel 13, the place where the 12 men of Saul and the 12 men of David "met together at the pool of Givon... the one on the one side of the pool, and the other on the other side..." Although not a pool, it is certainly a monument which men would know and remark about and perhaps call by that name. Astonishing though it may seem, this great stairwell seems to have been a failure, probably because insufficient water seeped into its water room. Notice

how little worn are the steps and remember them in a few minutes when you walk inside the tunnel which successfully provided a way for the Givonites to reach their water supply in times of siege.

RETURN now to the main path, continuing straight for a short distance until you can turn left, skirting a cultivated field. The hardly noticeable heaps of stone on the right are fragments of an Israelite city wall. Following a narrow dirt path down the eastern flank of the hill behind an Arab house brings you to a clear opening in the rock cliff. If you thought of bringing the candles, then you can penetrate the darkness with the same flickering light used by the Givonites. On the right a passage leads to the claturn room which was filled by abundant water flowing

through a feeder tunnel from the spring buried deep within the hill. This claturn room, blocked from the outside by a stone door which attackers were at the gates, could be reached safely from inside the city walls by descending the flight of 93 steps in front of you. Feel with your feet the deeply worn depressions in these steps and with your hands the smoothness of the walls where the water-carriers reached out for support. Oil lamps once flickered in the wall niches. Observe the roof of the tunnel as first you walk through a portion carved from the rock and then into a section which was originally cut as a trench and then covered with stone slabs. What is not easily seen is that at the upper end — now blocked — the stairs were again tunnelled through solid rock in order to pass beneath the city walls. Also invisible to the eye is the sharp left angle of the stairs by which they avoided the edge of the earthen "pool" just before opening into the city.

The spring of al Jib has been its hidden treasure during all its known 5,000 years' life as a city. And so it is today. Don't leave the water tunnel the way you came to it but rather turn left as you come out, past the house and down a small slope to where the women now draw their water. Their path up into the village, past the minaret, will lead you — perhaps reluctantly — back to your car.

The tunnel, the "pool," the industrial area — these are the remains from the relatively few Israelite years of Givon's long, long history. But what years these were! The Bible mentions Givon and its people 45 times and perhaps nowhere more poetically than in Joshua's words when he "spoke to God" on the day when the Lord delivered the Amorites into the hands of Israel, and said in the presence of Israel: Stand still, O sun, in Givon, stand, moon, in the Vale of Ayalon... Never before or since has there been such a day as this on which God heeded a human being's request — for God fought for Israel (Joshua 10:12-14).

SOME special instructions. To reach al Jib follow the road north from Jerusalem toward Ramallah. Turn left again (the sign says Latrun) after almost 4 kms. at al Jib. Alternative return route to Jerusalem is via road through Biddu and Nebi Samwil (short stretches are a bit rough).

Suggested reading before, after or during visit: Pritchard, "Where the Sun Stood Still." Bear in mind that al Jib is a traditional Arab village, with many customs regarding modesty similar to those in Orthodox Jewish districts. Although there is no need to conform to traditional ways, neither is there reason to flaunt our differences.

## Fiddle n' banjo

By BENYAMIN EDRACHI  
Special Jerusalem Post Correspondent

first began playing the guitar only this past year under the tutelage of Bruce Brill.

Bruce has been organizing folk music evenings at the Travia Club in Jerusalem, arranging a library at the Rubin Academy, and playing fiddle at local restaurants. Interrupted by a three year stint in the U.S. Army, teaching is his profession but he prefers not to teach here.

His sister, Rachel, is studying for her M.A. in English Literature at the Hebrew University. She is a folksinger and specializes in English, Irish, and American ballads and has sung in clubs in New York and Washington, and now in Jerusalem.

In addition to being a banjo player, Leonard Wurzel is a banjo builder. Apart from his full-time work as a carpenter, he has built what are believed to be the first made-in-Israel "Five-stringers" ever. He comes from Long Island and after

studying at an Ulpan at Kibbutz Ein Hashofet moved to Jerusalem where he's been plucking strings and tickling ears in the process.

Michael Golomb's a Shlomo Carlebach-style hippie "pentitent." His laughing blue eyes bring a smile to the faces of all with whom he comes in contact — in the street, in buses, or on the stage when he plays tambourine, spoons, and the Jew's harp. Where did he learn to play this strange assortment of instruments? "Heck, you don't learn to play them in Alabama (where he hails from), you just play them!"

These five young people do have some things in common: love of their native country; love of their adopted country; love of their music; and, love of peanut butter.

"Peanut butter." Yes... particularly the Israeli variety, called "Egoman." In fact, they named their group after it: "Gush-Egoman" (literally, "a blob of peanut butter"). They even asked the Egoman company to outfit them with imprinted shirts.

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But Gush-Egoman got a positive response. They'll have their matching shirts by July 4; and then they'll have something else in common.

## Omer's 25th birthday

By SRAVA SHAPIRO

"OMER", which celebrates its 25th birthday today, could well borrow the slogan of a Parisian contemporary: "You can keep abreast of the news by reading us for less than five minutes."

The four page Hebrew daily gives accounts of all the important news of the day, comments on it, has advertisements — as well as a short glossary in several languages of the more difficult Hebrew expressions. Moreover, the text is fully "vocalized", that is, provided with the dots and dashes which enable the reader to distinguish between identically written spelled words. For "Omer" was established to serve newcomers who knew no knowledge of Hebrew hardly exceeds the 2,000 words acquired at an Ulpan.

Meir Baril, who has been editing "Omer" for the past eight years, is still fascinated by his job. It is a mission, a daily service. All over the country there are former readers of "Omer" who now read the normal, unvocalized, daily press. On the average, a newcomer reads "Omer" for three years. Older people may retain the habit longer. Some teachers urge newcomers to read unvocalized texts as soon as possible. A mistake, Baril thinks. Because it engenders a false interpretation of unfamiliar words.

Published jointly by "Davar" and the Histadrut, "Omer" is produced by a remarkably small staff. The editors' main job is to sift the news and present it clearly, in the simplest words. They also have to provide a sentence or two of background information. A reader of "Omer" is not likely to know the early reader-contributors was a newcomer who signed his contributions in the newly-adopted language with a new-created name: Ephraim Kishon. Another newcomer became a roving reporter, also signing with a Hebrew name. She was Hanna Zemer, who has since become the editor-in-chief of "Davar."

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## DANCE NEWS

DORA SOWDEN

AN INTERESTING visitor now in Israel is Joseph Lazrini, whose choreography was at one time the talk of Europe. His spectacular ballets for the "Theatre Francaise de Danse" won prizes and he has also choreographed in New York, Italy and Portugal. Here under the auspices of the French Ministry of Culture, he is giving classes at the Batseva studios in Tel Aviv and at the Rubin Academy in Jerusalem. He is also mounting one of his ballets for the Israel Classical Ballet.

Also here to teach is Dutch classical ballet master Peter Appel, now director of the Cologne Dance Academy, but soon moving to Hamburg Opera Ballet. He is teaching for a month at the Dance Centre in Einfa and will choreograph ballets for the next programme of the Haifa Piccolo Ballet.

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THE FIRST TIME I met Sam Hamburg was when he came into my office at the Ministry of Agriculture 24 years ago. I had known his family in Pinak and had heard he was considered to be one of the best farmers in California. A tall and burly man, with a voice that rolled like thunder, he told me then that he had first come to this country at the age of 15, to study at the Tel Aviv Gymnasium. He joined the Jewish Legion in the First World War, and after demobilization went to study agriculture at the University of California.

With a degree and 25 dollars in his pocket he went to settle in the Californian desert. With his own hands he dug a well and when he found water, he began to establish a farm on the spot. After 30 years of hard work his 40,000 dunam farm was known all over the state as one of its most successful agricultural enterprises.

That day in my office, I told Hamburg about the state of Israeli agriculture which, at the time, was in the initial stages of development. In view of the soil and climate conditions and the national water project, Sam was convinced that cotton was the answer to Israel's agricultural problems. We knew very little about cotton-growing, assuming it to be a crop demanding cheap manual labour. But Sam assured us that he had solved this problem on his farm by introducing mechanical picking. He persuaded us to skip the experimental stage and go over straight away to producing the crop on a commercial basis.

Excited by the idea, Sam began touting the country, choosing the Beitany Valley for the site of a farm to be irrigated by the waters of the Jordan. Later he sent to Israel an irrigation planning engineer, a foreman and a complete set of tools and machines for cotton-growing

purchased with his own money.

The growing of cotton in Israel became Sam's mission in life. Every month or so he would make the long flight from California in order to supervise the work at "Havat Shmuel," so named in his honour. During the day he would wander in the fields and in the evenings, sit with the farm workers expounding his ideas on agriculture. Under his guidance the agro-technical level of Israeli agriculture was raised considerably within a short span of time. Sam's project was crowned with unusual success — from a few hundred dunams planted with cotton at Havat Shmuel, the crop expanded yearly until it covered an area of 300,000 dunam and became one of Israel's most important crops, grossing nearly 100 million dollars a year.

He then turned his attention to other branches of agriculture and brought with him on each visit information about agricultural innovations he thought might be introduced here. It was thus that he began using liquid fertilizer, producing tomatoes for the canning industry and expanding almond-growing.

Golda Meir was then Foreign Minister and it was her idea that Sam should become involved in Israel's technical assistance to African nations. He worked in various countries making use of his American connections and acting as a representative of the State of Israel. Unfortunately, he was unable to continue this work for long. On one of his visits to Africa he contracted a rare disease which left him partially paralysed and with impaired hearing.

When he regained sufficient strength Sam came back to Israel. Despite his physical disabilities he continued making the rounds of the fields at Havat Shmuel and giving

advice to the farmers who crowded around him eagerly. At this point he was willing to hand over the management of the Californian farm to his son and to settle in Israel but for personal reasons this could not be done. He returned to California and continued working on the farm until his health forced him to give it up. Eventually he sold the place but continued living there, serving as an adviser to the company which bought it.

The tragic death of his son two years ago was a blow from which Sam never really recovered. When I visited him I found him in serious physical condition but his mind was as clear as ever, full of plans for the development of Israeli agriculture. He was proud of Israel's accomplishments and the help he was able to give in his own special way. He was aware of the problems, too. Ever since the Yom Kippur War, Sam has been anxious about the future of the State, and worried by its financial and social developments. At the same time he longed to be here, but this was not to be.

Sam Hamburg was an outstanding farmer — one of the best I have ever met. There was a special, intimate relationship between himself and the land he worked on. It fused together with his extraordinary natural talent for agriculture, leading him at times to scoff at researchers and professors who work "by the book."

But Sam was not only a farmer and an agricultural expert. He was also a great man, a humanitarian, who never lost touch with the people around him. In Israel, the rich American farmer who dedicated his life to the development of agriculture, became a legend in his own time. We shall always be grateful to him.

HAIM GVA'NI

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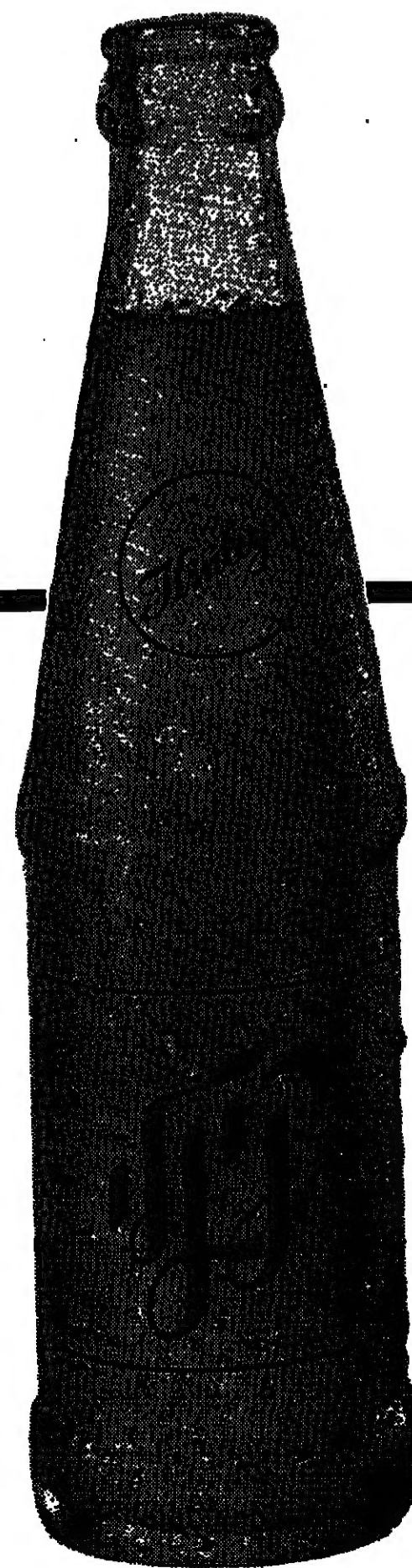
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# Rise in shipping rates to Europe

IPA — The Continent-Israeli Shipping Conference on today agreed "under strong pressure" to accept the compromise offered by the Shippers' Council and the Zim company, on demand for higher freight rates on the routes between Israel and Europe.

The compromise, which would see imports to Israel go up by 10 per cent and on exports by 15 per cent, from September 1.

The Conference, the largest serving Israel, had demanded a flat 10 per cent on imports and exports, from July 1. The Shippers' Council had rejected the demand as exaggerated.

This latest agreement, together with the price rises of all the other shipping conferences, will raise the freight bill on Israel's foreign trade by an estimated IL2 million monthly, Mr. Aryeh Mehlai, secretary of the Council, told *The Jerusalem Post*.

## AVIV STOCK MARKET:

# Oil stocks in sharp drop

Jerusalem Post Reporter  
L. AVIV. — Even "old news" have a marked effect on stocks, apparently, a reaction to an article in the financial dailies, quoting Zvi Dinstein's month-old report of drilling activity at El-Tur, was stopped, drove down the prices of oil stocks.

Oil was down 21 points to 266, no buyers were in sight for Jordan Exploration shares or Lapidot lost 54 to 890 and pheta 25 to 485, in the investment share sector, Piryon continued to be affected by profit taking as it dropped by 11 to 239. Financials were mostly strong, with slight sprinkled throughout the list. Ranges and insurance shares performed well. Rasco stood out in the real estate sector, and the industrial performed well practically throughout the list.

Volume for the day, at IL2.2m.

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## Birth pangs of a tax

THE VALUE ADDED TAX, which came into force at midnight, is being received among the general public in a spirit of gloomy resignation. The absence of enthusiasm is due not so much, as might have been expected, to the addition of yet another financial burden, but rather to the administrative complications that enwrap it.

Treasury experts blithely assure everybody that, like diving into a pool on a winter's day, the beginning is the worst. You gradually get used to it. People engaged in trade ought to be keeping books anyway, and not only for income tax purposes. Filing receipts makes sure that the same bill is not paid twice. Drawing up accounts helps the entrepreneur to know what is happening to his business.

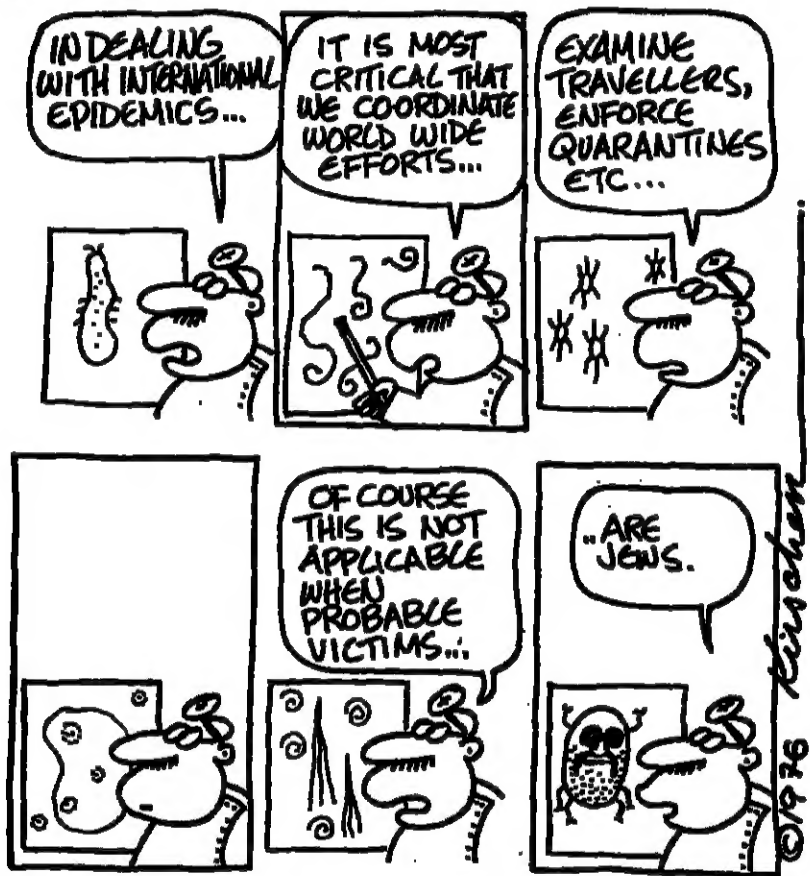
The introduction of VAT would have been a more auspicious event had it replaced, as it was meant to, all the other indirect taxes — or almost all. Customs, of course, has to remain, and the luxury tax; but no more than that. As it is, the sales tax is with us still, and the excise, and the stamp dues. And more is the pity.

The second blight spoiling the occasion is the untimely dispute started by the tax officials themselves. It is reminiscent of the strike that marred the opening of Ashdod port 12 years ago, and which served as a portent.

The recent tussle over the "special allowance" has proved one thing clearly, that the tax office will not succeed in getting an edge in salaries over other departments of State. The Government, which had approved the special allowance at the time, bloodied its nose in that encounter, and is not likely to make the same mistake twice.

Several hard tests thus face Finance Minister Rabinowitz (sponsor of this tax reform) from the word go. Everyone must be made to keep books, whether he likes it or not. Residents of the administered areas will be obliged, a month from now, to abide by the new regulations, like everybody else. And the tax officials should be brought to comply with the wage contract negotiated for them by the Civil Servants Union, like all other civil servants.

## Dry Bones



### ISRAEL PRESS

DAVAT (Hizdardut) notes that most of the hijackers' demands are directed at Israel. Consequently, even though responsibility falls on the French and Ugandan Governments, the problem is undoubtedly an Israeli one. "In similar circumstances in the past when hostages were taken on Israeli soil, the policy was not to give in to terrorist demands. But when they were taken elsewhere, the reaction depended on the circumstances: when a plane was hijacked to Algeria, Israel gave in to the hijackers' demands. But when the Israel Embassy in Thailand was seized, the Thai Government stood firm and this influenced Israel's decision. Today Israel is in a difficult position: It cannot ignore the fate of the passengers held hostage in a country with which Israel has no diplomatic ties... Naturally, surrender by Israel would have far-reaching implications. It would encourage terrorists everywhere that extortion through terrorism pays. It is thus the concern of the international community to ensure that this will not be the outcome.

"In its international contacts, Israel must stress that the case of the Air France plane should be taken out of its Israeli context."

HA'ARETZ (Independent) notes with approval that France has rejected any discrimination in the treatment of the passengers and hopes that the other governments involved will follow suit: solidarity with Israel on their part might thwart the hijackers' plans.

"It is the duty of the Israel Government to strengthen the position to those who share its ordeal. Many precedents prove that allowing the victims of terrorism to be separated reinforces the terrorists, and giving in to their demands encourages others to similar acts. It is to be hoped that the French Government will explain to President Idi Amin Dada the responsibility that falls on Uganda, where possible plans for saving the hostages are concerned."

### READERS' LETTERS

#### DRAWING A CONSTITUENCY MAP

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — I would like to raise several points that were insufficiently stressed in Naomi Shepherd's article on electoral reform June 18.

The job of drawing a constituency map is a particularly sticky business. Normally, the electoral cartographer has to ensure that there is equal representation in each of his districts, that they are compact (an effort to avoid overt gerrymandering) and that the elements comprising them are geographically contiguous. A fourth, and for Israel, important criterion is that of geographical homogeneity, that the constituencies should be recognizable as geographical entities by the electorate. If we were to follow these guidelines and produce 18 five-member constituencies according to the Ya'acobi suggestion, then we could not avoid creating either constituencies that would include, for instance, Kiryat Hayovel and Ramle, or Western Carmel/Zichrim Ya'acov/Kiryat Ata as another example, or constituencies that were of unequal numbers of electors. Districts of the first kind though compact, contiguous and with equal representation obviously fall down on the fourth factor, homogeneity. The second kind would disenfranchise large numbers of people. Certainly, several alternative proposals for the number and size of the constituencies would have to be examined afresh and the possible consequences examined.

Secondly, the geographical subdivision of the country into electoral

districts is certainly a lot less influential on the outcome of the election than the method used to count the vote. With multi-seat constituencies and a system of proportional representation, there is much less chance of gerrymandering than under British or American style elections where the winner takes all. The two most common methods of counting and distributing votes in proportional systems each would have produced totally different results at both the 1969 and 1973 elections in Israel, irrespective of the geographical subdivision.

Notwithstanding the relative unimportance of the geographical subdivision in overall terms, it must be recognized that gerrymandering would be a terrible temptation, particularly in urban areas, where it could be relatively easily used to shut out any possibility of the smaller parties gaining representation. Recent research from the United Kingdom has shown that even where there are totally independent boundary commissions to fix the boundaries of constituencies, covert gerrymandering will still take place for purely statistical reasons related to the law of probability. Consider the possibility in Israel where it is that little bit more difficult to divorce oneself from partisan consideration.

Certainly, the whole problem is much more complex than many of those who support a change in the system would appear or want to believe.

Dr. STANLEY WATERMAN  
Haifa

#### A SHARED EXPERIENCE

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — I found Mary Hadar's article on the Lamaze method of preparing a child for birth (psycho-propylaxis) of June 18 very interesting and the discussion of the halachic problems particularly intriguing because, during the years that I taught the technique in New York, the question never arose, and many of my students were Orthodox and Hassidic couples.

While I cannot encourage "pregnant couples" strongly enough that the husband's presence and help have immeasurable value, it is possible to be flexible within the framework of the Lamaze technique and accommodate different situations. For instance, I trained women whose husbands were in the Army in Vietnam to be either alone or with a female companion when they went into labour. By no means an optimal situation, but it works. Religious men do not need to touch their wives if they feel it is forbidden; yet they can provide a great deal of support, timing contractions and counting the correct breathing

rhythm. For those couples where it is not possible, or the husband does not wish to accompany his wife at all during labour, going to classes together will still give a feeling of participation; the husband can help his wife practise the techniques at home, and when she goes into labour, he knows what to expect and doesn't sit in the waiting room imagining all sorts of frightening things.

One final word about husband participation: many men are somewhat squeamish about being present at a birth because of the following rationale — "I don't mind pain for myself, but I don't know how I will react to seeing my wife in pain and if I am weak, she will be contemptuous of me." In reality, this simply does not happen; just as the conception of the child wasn't a one-sided business, the child's birth deserves to be an experience the couple can share and incorporate into the emotional fabric of their marriage.

(Mrs.) SARAH COOKE  
S.E.N., S.C.M.  
Jerusalem.

#### THE PASSOVER PLOT

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — At the beginning of May, the Ecumenical Committee in Nazareth, which includes representatives of all the Christian denominations, appealed for support to stop the filming of "The Passover Plot."

Following this, a meeting took place between representatives of the Ecumenical Committee and Dr. Kogan of the Ministry of Religious Affairs and Mr. Avshalom Abellah, representative of the Film Department of the Ministry of Trade and Commerce. Mr. Abellah said that his Ministry had rejected the script of the film when it was presented to them for approval and this rejection meant no financial or technical help. The Advisory Committee, the body which rejected the script, believed that it was offensive to Christian beliefs and would stir up the feelings of the Christians in this country.

Dr. Kogan said that the Ministry of Religious Affairs understood the feelings of anger on the part of the Christians about this film and believed that they were justified. As a result, the producers of the film will have to turn to the Censorship Board for a permit to show it as an imported film.

We therefore appeal to the Censorship Board not to allow the showing of this film in the country on the basis of the relevant laws. We find ourselves obliged to repeat that we shall uphold our decision to close our churches to tourists and visitors if we feel there is an inclination to permit showing the film in the country.

MONTHER GRATIE,  
Secretary,  
FATHER KOZMAN BOUHEI,  
Chairman, Ecumenical Committee,  
Nazareth.

#### JACK NICHOLSON

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — Simon Carlebach is entitled to his critical views. However, he rather overdid it in his review of "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest" (June 15) when he questioned Jack Nicholson's acting ability.

Are we really to take seriously Mr. Carlebach's professional ability to fairly review a movie when he says Jack Nicholson "just gets all the best roles"? Come, come, Mr. Carlebach, it's one thing to be given a role, quite another to portray it. And Nicholson's powerful portrayals clearly showing his "range, versatility, and powerful presence"

which you so unquestioningly deny, earned him nominations five times for the Academy Awards.

SANDRA COHEN  
Jerusalem

Simon Carlebach comments: "No professional critic would 'unquestioningly deny' any of the numerous qualities attributed to people in show business. With regard to the acting abilities of Mr. Nicholson, the most I can say for him is that the role he's been playing has proven its popularity — and I'd be surprised were he himself to put forward any alternative considerations."

#### HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — Having lost all my family in the Holocaust — and not forgetting it for a single day — I read with dismay about Haifa Municipality's suggestion to erect a monument in memory of the 6 million victims, at a cost of IL2m. (June 16).

I would suggest that they build a hospital ward or a treatment and/or rehabilitation centre at the

same expense, thus creating a living and dignified memorial, instead of a bombastic lifeless cold block of stone (or metal) of no use to anyone except the building contractors.

I shall gladly contribute to a living memorial to my family and friends — but I flatly refuse to do so for a dead piece of stone.

Haifa L. PINTER

### PLANETARY PASSPORTS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — I am the U.S.A. Mundalization (world citizenship) Director, and am a delegate to the XXIII World Congress on Rehabilitation now meeting at the Tel Aviv Hilton. I was most interested in your article of June 15 on Mr. Gary Davis and his being refused entry into Israel because he tried to use a World Passport.

I, too, tried using my Planetary Passport — issued by the Planetary Citizens Registry at 777 United Nations Plaza, New York, NY 10017. The Planetary Passport is also an "unofficial document" at this time; however, it was devised with the help of persons in the United Nations legal office who gave advice as to its design and content. The Planetary Passport is to be used in conjunction with the national passport and is oftentimes approved by immigration authorities in many countries in Europe and the U.S.A. Much to my disappointment, however, I found that my Planetary Passport — as Gary Davis' World Passport — found rejection here in Israel!

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I acknowledge that a country like the U.S.S.R. would probably still make it difficult — if not impossible — for its citizens to apply for and to use such a document as the means of travel from and to its own country. However, we find this reluctance to approve such a document even in such democracies as Israel and the U.S.A.

At our Congress on Rehabilitation, Prime Minister Rabin spoke of the rehabilitation of the Land of Israel — a political rehabilitation as well as a social and personal rehabilitation. Sadly, this concept applies to the needs of our entire planet, not just the needs of one people. The human society is in need of rehabilitation — are the lands of many people of Speechless Earth. Israel is setting the example of how this can be done. Why not include within this process here in Israel the acknowledgement of our role as citizens of the world — members of one human family. You can do it by authorizing the use of the Planetary World Passports for travel to and from Israel as one step.

Rev. Dr. NORMAN E. LEACH  
U.S.A. Mundalization Coordinator  
Tel Aviv (San Francisco).

### HEBREW IN BRITAIN

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — In The Jerusalem Post Magazine of June 18, your correspondent Mark Segal reports that in Great Britain "there are chairs of Hebrew only at Oxford, Cambridge, Manchester and Sussex... At Cambridge, the focus is on classical Hebrew."

I am afraid Mr. Segal got his facts mixed up somewhat. There are chairs of classical Hebrew at all major British universities. The places he mentions also teach living modern Hebrew. At Sussex, to the best of my knowledge, there is no "chair," but a senior teacher of Hebrew. A lecturer of modern Hebrew has been teaching at Cambridge for the last four years. A lecturer or junior lecturer also teaches at the University of Exeter.

It is most ungracious not to mention London, where the School of Oriental and African Studies established in the early twenties one of the first modern Hebrew lectureships in the world, and where modern Hebrew has also been taught for many years at University College and Jews' College; and also Leeds, which has taught modern Hebrew since the late 'thirties. Apart from Oxford, there is also a chair of Jewish History at Warwick University.

The article also gives the mistaken impression that local initiative had done little for Hebrew Studies. In fact, all the points mentioned, except for Sussex, were established either by the universities themselves or with local Jewish donations. The Oxford Centre for Post-graduate Hebrew Studies was established quite recently through very generous contributions by a group of English Jews.

PROF. CHAIM BABIN  
Chairman, Council on the Teaching of Hebrew,  
Jerusalem.

# A guest from down under

A recent visitor to Israel was Australia's Labour ex-Premier GOUGH WHITLAM. His discussion with leaders of the local Labour Party, notes reporter SRAYA SHAPIRO, were mainly helpful in emphasizing the gulf which separates Australian and Israeli socialist thinking about the Middle East.



IF AUSTRALIA'S former Labourite Premier Gough Whitlam expected his recent brief visit to Israel to ease the shock caused here by his flirting with the Arabs, he must have been sorely disillusioned. A number of Israeli Socialist leaders who held discussions with him were rubbed the wrong way by Whitlam's insistence that he had equal obligations to his Jewish and Arab nationalists in Australia. "A Unionist he may be — but a Socialist? I doubt it very much," observes Esther Herlitz, MK, former head of the Labour Party's international department.

For people bred in the European school of Socialism, the term implies an effort to create a better world for all humanity. "But Whitlam does not even acknowledge Australia's links with Europe, from which it sprang," says Miss Herlitz. He believes in "Australia First" — and that means the established Australia, not even including the new immigrants who, Whitlam claims, are rather a burden on the veteran settlers.

WHITLAM'S UNDERSTANDING of the Middle East situation is shaped by this "Australia First" outlook. Australians, he asserts, want above all to prevent a renewal of war in the Middle East, because this might provoke a global contest between the super-powers. All else, he suggests, is of minor importance to them. "Whitlam can see no harm in the establishment of a PLO-run State in the Judea-Samaria-Gaza regions," notes Aharon Yariv, MK, former Army intelligence chief. When told that such a new state would be a mere bridgehead for an onslaught on Israel, Whitlam offered security

"guarantees" as a remedy. "The Australian Labour leader also fails to understand why Israel refuses to sit down with the PLO and discuss terms with them. Such talks, he maintains, would be a sign of the de-facto recognition of Israel by the PLO, and therefore a significant contribution to the cause of peace. 'Of course,' comments Yariv, 'Whitlam only echoes currently popular ideas which represent a total misunderstanding of the situation in the Middle East.' Austria's Bruno Kreisky, a European Socialist of the traditional persuasion, similarly urges Israel to 'sit down with PLO.'

"WHAT THESE PEOPLE deliberately ignore is the plain fact that the PLO, or any Arab government that for that matter, are intent only on destroying Israel. This is but an extreme example of the traditional Moslem tendency to keep non-Moslem minorities down, and wholly dependent on the Moslem majority. The protection of even the Christians in the Middle East by European powers is today a matter of the past. What is happening in Lebanon today is proof that Western Europe is not interested in helping the Lebanese Christians maintain the status of equality they enjoyed for half a century. 'How much less,' exclaims Yariv, 'can the European powers be expected to care for the rights of the Jews in the Middle East.'

Whitlam, the Australian, fully shares these European attitudes, says Yariv. The justice of the Jewish cause, the need of the Jews to look after themselves, and the Jews' ability to assist their neighbours in improving their lot, all these leave the Whitlam kind of Socialist cool and indifferent.

### POSTSCRIPTS



A Tel Aviv reader has sent us the accompanying photograph with the following comment:

"Running for months now at the Studio Cinema, 'The Magic Slute' has been getting indecent exposure but no one seems to care. 'Mistakes can happen and obviously Ingmar Bergman did not want it this way. But why this fine little cinema has not bothered to replace the 'S' with an 'F' is quite incomprehensible."

Perhaps the management thinks some members of the public will mistake the film for a Western.

O.K.

A FRIEND who has recently been in Cyprus tells us that when she arrived at Larnaca airport she asked a taxi driver to take her to the Sun Hotel. He beamed broadly and said: "That's the most pitiful hotel on the island."

She was rather put off by the description but cheered up a bit to find a handsome newish building on the beach, teeming with children enjoying themselves at a dozen different games. The barman explained that four floors off the hotel had been taken over to house displaced Greek Cypriots from the Turkish-occupied Famagusta area as well as a few Lebanese refugees. It turns out that Sun Hotel is owned by the orphanage of the Archbishopric of Cyprus and since September 1974 it has been home for displaced persons who have some financial means at their disposal. In other words, the driver had meant that Sun Hotel is the most miserable hotel in Cyprus. J.G.

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		7:00 pm	Announcement of Results of Straw Poll No. 2. and Propositions 1 & 11.		
		6:00 pm	Evacuate Football Field Behind Stadium to prepare Grounds for Fireworks Display		
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		10:30-11:00 pm	More Mammoth *** Fireworks *** Display		
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